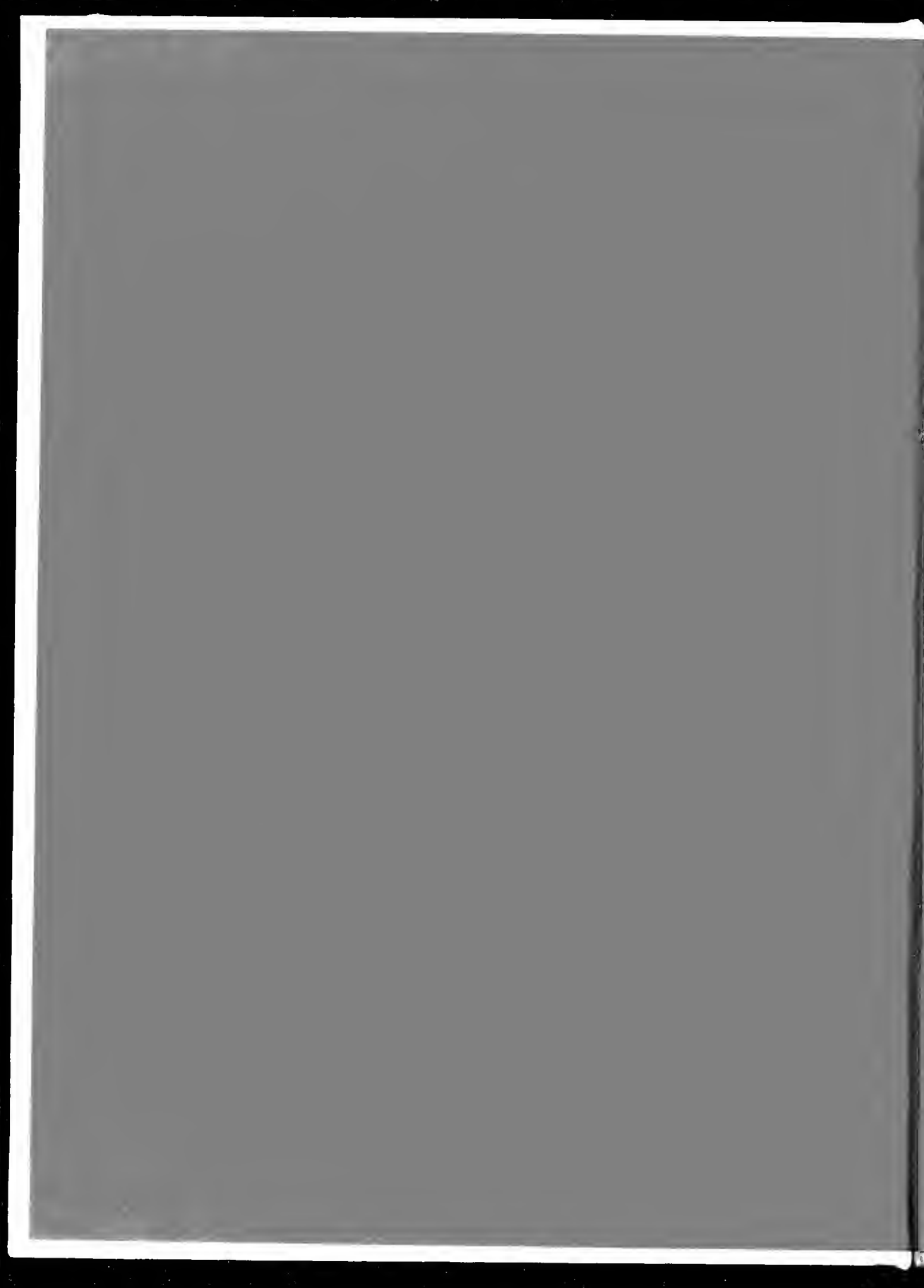


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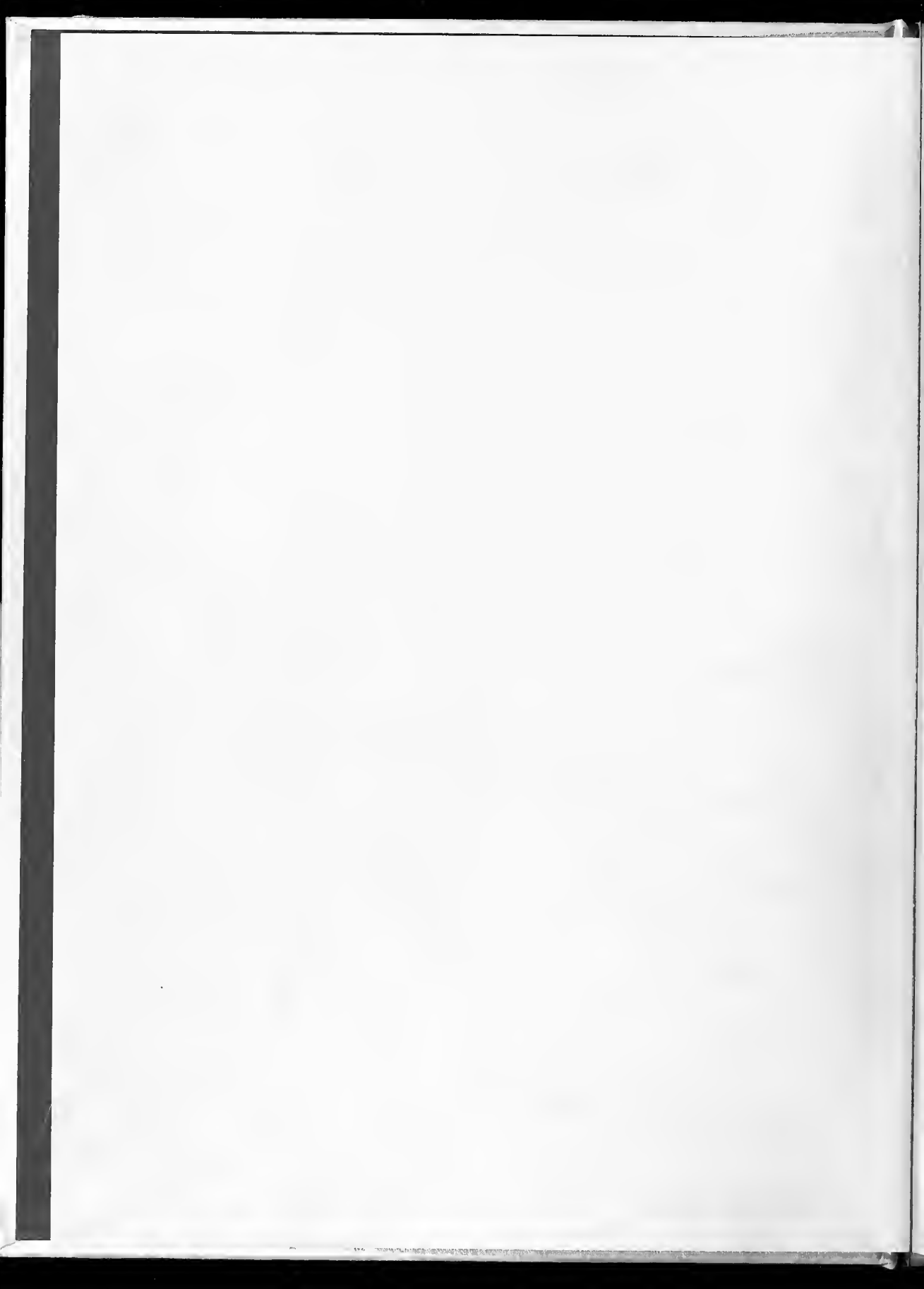




Photo of Mars Hill College, 1911

The Laurel Then

Mars Hill College



Now

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Who could be lonely when the works of God are seen in all the beauty, grandeur and sublimity which are here visible?

- President J. B. Marsh, July 6, 1856

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This edition of the Laurel marks the sesquicentennial year of Mars Hill College. During these years, our college has executed prayful planning for 27 campus buildings, broken ground on athletic facilities, survived a series of fires, served as a strategic location during the civil war, and is currently supporting students serving in the Iraq war. Countless lives have made sure that these blessed grounds are cultivated and continue to endure for 150 years. Laurel 2007 is dedicated to the Lord, to whom all the glory should be given, to every person who has helped make Mars Hill College what it is today and to the school itself, which has helped to make us who we are as well.

Dear old mountain, I think it was you—your permanence, your dignity—that gave such radiance to all the bits of life at your feet.

- Lib Bridges, 2001

Campus & Community...



Above and to the right is Marshbanks Hall, the building was built in 1910. To the left of Marshbanks is Montague.

Directly to the left is the Infirmary, also known as the Wellness Center. Directly to the right is a sign marking the school from 1959.



A picture of Edna Corpening Moore Dorm from the early 1900s.
View from the cafeteria, now Renfro Library.



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...because it's small and has lots of pretty flowers."

- Ginny Pierce

...Then.



Above and to the left is Mars Hill Baptist Church when it was Owen Theater, to the left of it Mars Hill Baptist in 1970. To the left is the archway in winter each year. Below are two pictures of Main Street.



It is very different from back home. Different is good, very good.

- Caitlyn Daily

Campus & Community...



To the left is a view down College Street. To the right is the Edna Corpening Moore Dormitory as it looks today.



A view from the entrance to Renfro Library



Blackwell from the Quad.



Owen Theater, formerly Mars Hill Baptist church.



The Mars Hill College Sign



Founder's Hall, the oldest building on campus.

6

It kind of reminds me of home because it is small and everybody pretty much knows everybody.

- Jaquelin Lovik

...Now.



Main Street.



Gazebo off of Main Street.



*To the left is Mars Hill Baptist Church.
To the right is Mars Hill Infirmary, also called the Wellness Center.*



The same tree off of Main Street

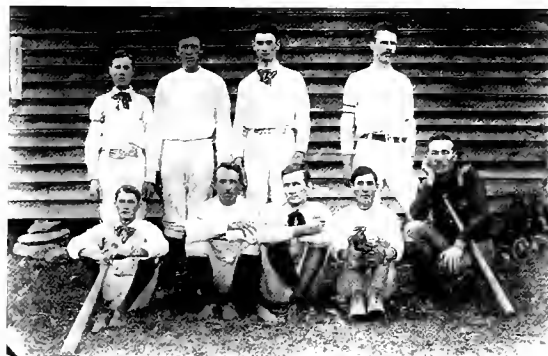


Main Street.

The old buildings and mountain surroundings make the campus a beautiful place to live. And it doesn't hurt that I have the best roommate in the world.

Sports & Clubs ...

Mars Hill Baseball Team



First Athletic Team of Mars Hill College, 1890

MHC Football Team, 1936



The Squad were NC state champions with a 8-1 record



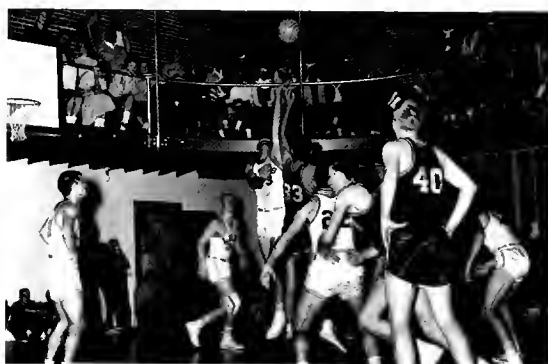
MHC Swim Team, 1950's



Low Hurdle Race in Track & Field meet, 1948



Cheerleading Squad, 1954



Men's Basketball Game in McConnell Gym

...Then



Guitars, Violins, Trombones, and Trumpets make up the 1907 College Orchestra



MHC Band, 1916



Fellowship of Christian Athletes, FCA, 1969



Ladies of Distinction, LOD, 1992



Theatre Production in the Old Auditorium, early 1900's



Bailey Mountain Cloggers, BMC, 1977

Mars Hill is not like any other school. To be the size we are, we have great diversity.

- Todd Allen

Sports & Clubs ...



Mars Hill Baseball, 2006



Mars Hill vs. St. Augustine



MHC Swimmin' Women



Members of the MHC Track Team



MHC Cheerleaders pumping up the crowd at a game



Men's Basketball Game in Chambers Gym

...Now.



Members of the orchestra practicing



Marching Band playing in the stands during a game



Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Ladies of Distinction



The cast of the "Treasures" production



Bailey Mountain Cloggers, 13-time National Champs

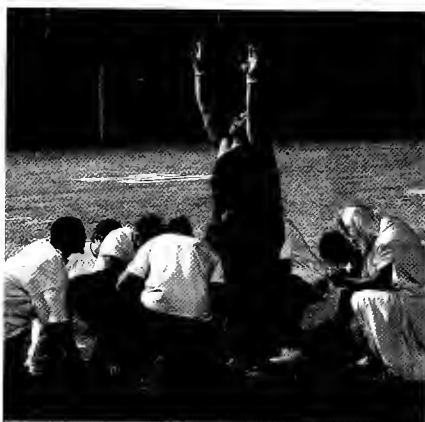
Lion's Growl

Getting the Lions ready for the weekend!

It's no surprise that the lions growl has been a tradition at MHC for a long time now. Alumni, the mars hill community and MHC students all came out to get pumped for the homecoming game the next day. You might not have heard a literal Lion's growl, but cheers from the excited crowd could be heard throughout the entire neighborhood as Greek organizations, Bailey Mountain Cloggers, FCA and CSM performed for the skit competition. The night ended with a spectacular display of fireworks that only reflected the school spirit welling up in the hearts of the on-lookers.



DKT Wins the Skit Competition



Jesus' healing is depicted as his followers kneel before him in the FCA skit



The president of MHC and The First Lady enter on horseback.

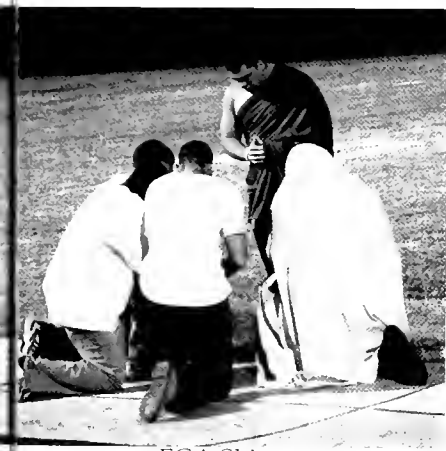




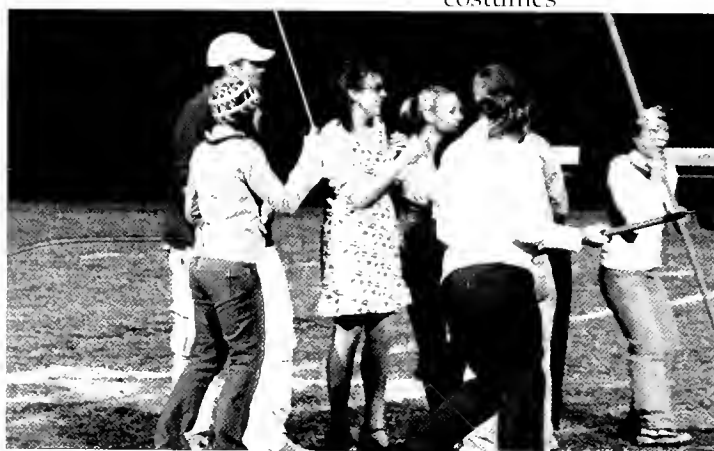
The Chili Cookout was packed to the rafters



BMC perform in marching band costumes



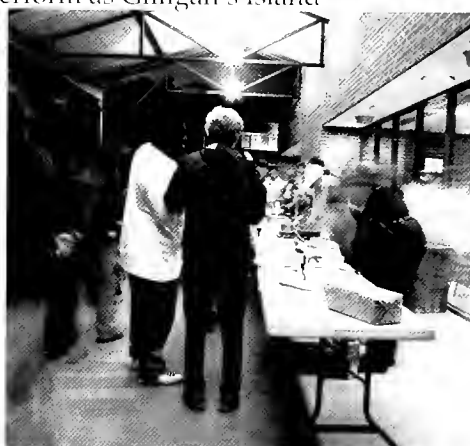
FCA Skit



CSM Perform as Gilligan's Island



The students enjoy the fine chili at the cookout



The students enjoy the fine chili at the cookout

Homecoming on the Hill 2006



Seniors: Standing in for Cody Tipton: Aubrey Green, Heidi Kulas, and Ben Pierson



Seniors: Andrew Shelton and Mary Margaret Fulk



Seniors: Abby DeBusk and Justin Scarbrough



Seniors: Michael Fisher and Mary Kathryn Lysterly



Juniors: Andrew Chilton and Sarah Brandenberger



Sophomores: Samantha Delgado and Phillip Fitzhugh



Freshmen: Jason DeVries standing in for: Stan Galbraith, and Sara Flood standing in for: Lucy Adkins



Mars Hill football teams lines up against Newberry

150 years of Celebration



Homecoming has been a tradition on the Hill for years now. It was an event truly enjoyed by all those involved. We can be assured that as long as there are friendships to celebrate, lion pride in students' hearts, candy to throw to waving children, and football games to be won, there will be Homecoming.



Above: This year's homecoming king and queen



Left: The parade, with the past eras of MHC, the Greeks and the homecoming lineup

Below: The cheerleaders and the band get everyone excited for the impending game of the day



It was the place i needed to be.

- Lori Waite

Asheville...



Asheville, one of the most colorful places in the Southeast, has much to offer students, such as laid back coffee shops, cool thrift stores, independent theatres, second-hand bookstores, and a wide variety of restaurants.



Downtown Bookstore and Coffee Shop



Fine Arts Independent Theatre



Rag-Time Thrift Shop



Mellow Mushroom restaurant



Lovable sidewalks of A-town



Coffee shop where many students chill and read



Whether its getting some coffee and desert from euro-style coffee shop Old Europe, grabbing a slice of pizza at Mellow Mushroom or shopping for a unique outfit, there is always plenty for students to do in town.

...Our City

The atmosphere and the people.

- Megan Kelly

Gateway

For anyone who thought registering for classes wasn't fun...



Challengers and their students walking in a parade for a Metriculation ceremony



RD of Huffman checks in Freshmen



Necee welcoming Freshmen



Ollin helps Freshmen move in

Check this out...The Gateway Staff are the people who help make order out of the chaos that happens at the beginning of the schoolyear when everyone is trying to move in and get oriented with the college. They are the friendly faces and jokers that make you smile after you have carried fifty boxes up four flights of stairs. Their responsibilities are to direct students where they need to go in order to get registered and also help students move in. These are the people who will continue to take the stress out of coming to college.

Orientation



Challengers chillin out while waiting for freshmen to arrive



Miranda and Lady point freshmen to Wall



Matt Welch helps move in new students

It's a nice change from the nasty streets of Jersey.

- Missy Tonero

ResLife

Mars Hill College has a Student Staff in each residence hall who have experienced living in these halls, go through RA training at the beginning of the year, and are great resources for dorm residents. Their job is to help students with the day to day challenges of living on campus. You can count on these friendly leaders to make you feel welcome and at home. If you find yourself needing assistance of any kind, your RA is there to help, whether you need advice regarding relationships or just where to find the snack machine, they're ready to help you find the answer.

TIMELINE

of when residence halls were built

Turner g Formerly "Melrose" (1924),
renovated & renamed 2002

Brown g 1925 , renovated 2002

Edna Moore g 1937

Stroup g 1941, renovated 1989

Huffman g 1949, renovated 1989

Myers g 1955

Fox g 1963

Gibson g 1969

Dickson-Palmer Apts. g 1976

Bailey Mountain Residential Apts. g
2006

Adam Lockamy-
RD, Betsy Taylor,
Justin Scarbrough,
Whitney Simmons,
Andrew Barlow

BROWN/TURNER



EDNA MOORE



Cassandra Rising, Cher-
ish McHone-RD, Saman-
tha Delgado, Sarah
Ludlow

STROUP

Rebekah Ludlow-
RD, Erica Kishlar,
Allison Collins,
Jami Stephens,
Michelle Rewitzer,
and Allison Ball



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...because it's easy for me to be who I am and what I am."

- Cassandra Rising

HUFFMAN



Matt Welch,
Andrew Chil-
son-RD, Chris
Brunton,
Jeremy Greco,
Brad Bien-Aime
(not pictured:
David Vroom)

Mackenzie Knapp,
Daniel
Maines,
Donnie Messi-
neo, Louis
Givens, Ben
Guynn, Julian
Cuthbertson-
son-RD (not
pictured:
Charles Cha-
vous)

MYERS



FOX



Maryanne
Brown, Ramla
Osman, Kris-
tie Vance-RD
(not pictured:
Amanda Clark)

GIBSON



Antonyo
Douglas-RD,
Ollin Dunford,
Michael Davis,
David Thrash

APARTMENTS



David Oesch,
Matt
Kupstas,
Kristolyn
Bunyan-RD,
Gene Carr

Tavarus Hill,
Courtney
Evans-RD,
Wayne Morris,
Carlee Macon

BAILEY MOUNTAIN



Because even though I am not even close to being from around here, it still feels like home.

- Mackenzie Knapp

Gotta Love the...

The Challengers are a group that was started this year by Nina Pollard to provide incoming freshmen with a student advisor that they could go to for help with classes, getting oriented with the college, persomal problems, or just simply to hang out with. Every LAA "Challenges" class was assigned one Challenger to assist the professor and students. Grant Gosch heads up the challengers in coordinating meeings, training sessions, and events. Hiking trips with students, desire to help teach younger peers, being a positive role model, impressive bowling skills, and team unity are all reasons why you just gotta love the challengers!



The Mikenator



Red Hot Cent



Big Daddy J



Big Momma J



Ginger Snap



Beth



DJ Frizz



Andrew



Milizzle



Kenyari



Briteny



Ollin



Carrie



Carling



G-love



Niecee

...Challengers



Tina Pollard, Vice President of
Academic and Student Affairs
&
Awesome Pasta Dinner maker



Grant always came up with
interesting ways to train us.



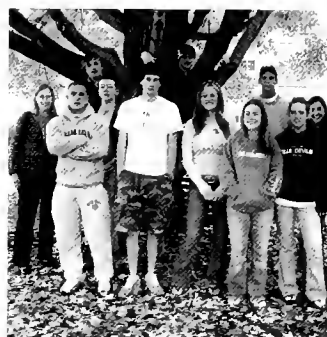
Challengers Unite!



Challenger Bowling Trip



Mike Costello assists a student



Some of our wonderful
students!



The Fresh Challenger Rappers



Prof. Marc Mullinax, Miley
White, and the LAA Chal-
lenges class



I like Mars Hill because I love to take on new challenges.

- Sable Adams

Bonner Scholars

Began at MHC in 1991

What do you get when you combine 60 able bodies students, 2 leaders, a big heart for service, and 375 volunteer hours per school year? Yeah, you get Bonner Scholars, a group of ready and willing college students ready to give up their time and energy to help with community projects, tutoring sessions, and natural disaster relief. The work of these students is complimented by their humorous, friendly attitudes. Yep, any way you read it, Bonner spells "fun."



Sophomores, Quenby Keissler and Joseph Deng doing Hurricane Katrina relief work in Pass Christian, Mississippi (spring break 2006)



Senior Daisha Merritt taking pictures of Bonners on the ropes course during the fall 2006 Bonner retreat

sralohcS rennoB



Junior Abraham Maker working at Long Branch Environmental Education Center during the fall freshmen Bonner retreat



Sophomore Tabatha Woodson working in Caretta, West Virginia during the 2005 alternative fall break trip

Junior Christa Gaffer learned how to make an authentic Guatemalan tortilla while on the international trip, sponsored in part by the Bonner Foundation

Junior Julian Cuthbertson entertaining the group during the honor scholar Christmas party 2005



I love Mars Hill because of the awesome education program that is here.

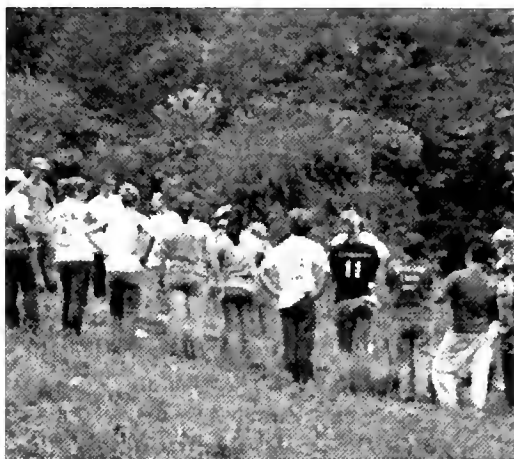
- Sara Flood

Grayson Scholars &

Grayson Scholars and Marshbanks-Anderson Scholars are part of the Honor Scholars program here at Mars Hill College. Not only do these scholarship programs help to enrich the student's learning experience in college, but also in life. Students in both programs participate in 70 hours of engaged learning activities every year. The activities for the program are done through LifeWorks Civic Engagement Certificate program, where they become involved in service in the local community around campus and do community-based research, as well as leadership development activities.



Marshbanks-Anderson Scholars



Proof that Helping Others and Team Building Rocks!



Everyone is really nice and fun to be around.

- Alan Broadnax

Leo White & Church Leadership Scholars

Leo White Scholars and Church Leadership Scholars are both part of the Honors Scholars programs here at Mars Hill and they require students to major or minor in Religion or Philosophy. Those with the Leo White Scholarship are typically pursuing a church-related career while those with the Church Leadership Scholarship have a commitment to involvement within the church. Both programs require students to participate in 35 hours of community service each semester. Freshmen involved in the program attend a retreat prior to the start of the fall semester. Everyone takes part in a four-year leadership program which is created to further enhance the student's academic, social, and personal experience while here at Mars Hill.



Todd Boling helps with the clean-up





The Scholars work together to restore an old train car



Top Right: Serena salutes the team on a job well done.

Lower Right: Scholars relax after a hard days work.

Bottom Left: Scholars continue to work on the train car.



The classes are smaller so I can have a more personal relationship with my professors, which I believe is a good thing.

- Bekka Fogle

Campus Activities Board

There are many campus activities happening all the time. One only needs to look at the monthly CAB calendar to find something to do with other students. Whether it is intramural sports, Decades Ball, Homecoming, Winter Formal, Game Shows, Spring Fling, Concerts, Talent Shows, and other events involving different organizations on the MHC campus, college socialites can find fun every week. What makes this campus special are the lives that populate it and CAB has a huge hand in making sure we continue to meet these people and keep the college tradition thriving.



Courtney Evans



Carling Stepniak



Jennifer Cross



Justin Scarbrough



Josh Hasty



Michael Fisher



Robin Cole



Ollin Dunstord



Mary Margaret Fulk



...Rocks Your Face Off!



Mars Hill is the most close-knit family and community minded atmosphere I've ever experienced.

- Rachel Dudley

SGA

Student Government Association meets three times a month to ensure public awareness of campus events, issues of college life are debated and resolved, and that students' voices are heard. These politically minded leaders represent their classmates with dignity and power. Their skills and dedication are just another reason why the hill has kept up for 150 years and we can be assured that SGA will continue to make things happen.



Members of SGA



SGA meeting in Belk Auditorium

makin' things happen

Members of SGA:

President Student Body: Aubrey Greene

Vice President: Stephanie Brown

Secretary: Samantha Delgado

Treasurer: Maryanne Brown

Senior Class

President: Shane Johnson

Vice President: Erin McKee

Secretary: Jenn Cross

Treasurer: Kenyari Addison



Junior Class

Vice President: Porsha Lackey

Secretary/Treasurer: Ashley Lear

Sophomore Class

President: Kyle Staton

Vice President: Tabatha Woodson

Secretary/Treasurer: Caleb Lott

Freshman

President: Sable Adams

Vice President: Ashley Bridges

Secretary: Trini Fares



Tyler Hoffman ponders a tough decision

because of all the people here and how easy it was to get close to them. I feel like I have known them my whole life.

- Curits Avant

Welcome to the OC!

Outdoor Center, here we come!

Did you know that we live in one of the most beautiful areas in the whole country? The Outdoor Center has been helping us take advantage and appreciate the beauty of the Appalachian Mountains! They offer weekend outdoor adventure trips, a rental program, rock climbing, kayaking, hiking, backpacking, white water rafting and skiing! They also offer weekly activities geared toward health and wellness! Try out the free spin classes, yoga and Wednesday bike rides!



Rock climbing huddle!

"You have been given the gift of life; The Outdoor Center challenges you to live it! So lace up your boots, shoulder your pack and get out side and play!"

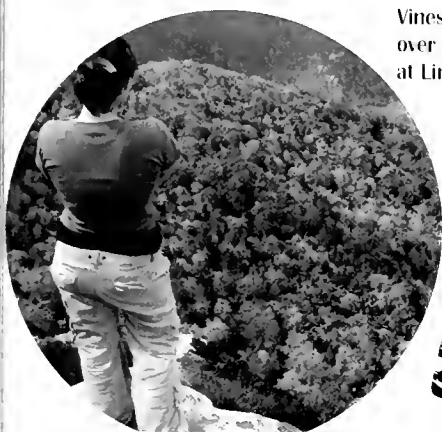
-Grant Gosch,
Manager of OC

If we do not rise to the challenge of our unique capacity to shape our lives, to seek the kinds of growth that we find individually fulfilling, then we can have no security: we will live in a world of sham, in which our selves are determined by the will of others, in which we will be constantly buffeted and increasingly isolated by the changes round us.

- Nena O'Neil

I love the OC because " of the close proximity of so many outlets for outdoor recreation and many great people to share it with as well as learn from .

- Jared Nix



Vinessa Landolt looks out over the mountain scenery at Linville Gorge.



Melissa Holloway just hangin' out on Linville Gorge.



Backpacking and Hiking trails!



orning stretches
n the many OC
amping trips!

The Outdoor
Center has
quickly become
a popular place
on campus for all
students and is
expected to only
get better!



It's one of the best ways to get to know someone. Go on a trip with someone you don't know.

- Matt Kupstas

Ladies of Distinction

Making a Distinct Difference

The Ladies of Distinction, or L.O.D., is a group of well-rounded young women at Mars Hill College who continually seek to play active roles, not only on campus but also in the community. They are dedicated to making their stay here on the Hill as inspirational and as civic minded as possible. They participate in numerous fund-raising and other community-oriented activities.



Homecoming After Party



Ashely Bridges at the North Buncombe Elementary Festival

"Love is that condition in the human spirit so profound that it allows us to survive, and better than that, to thrive with passion, compassion, and style."

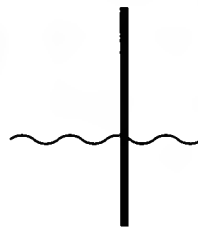
- Maya Angelou

I like Mars Hill, because the professors actually care about your well being and they are always willing to lend a helping hand."

- Crystalyn Morgan



Crystalyn Morgan at the North Buncombe Festival



The Ladies



From left to right, back row: Latoya Sharpe, Crystalyn Morgan, Nadine Hayes, Jessica Young, Ashely Bridges, and Ciara Felder
front row: Malaree Wallace, Marie Hicks, Jasmine Young, Sharisse Sutherland, and Porsha Lackey



(LEFT TO RIGHT) Tamara, Jessica Whitener, Porsha, Sharisse, Julie Nooe (LOD advisor), Oralene Simmons (LOD sponsor), Marie Hicks, Jasmine, Malaree Wallace, Latoya Sharpe



Jasmine Young, Tamara Washington, Sharisse Sutherland, and Porsha Lackey @ the North Buncombe Elementary Festival

I like Mars Hill because of the small, close nit friendships I have made. I also like the professors and activities that go on at Mars Hill.

- Nadine Hayes



Bailey Mountain Cloggers have brought the college honor and prestige since 1977. The countless hours correographing dances, practicing steps, and nailing routines show every time they perform. Although there were many seniors to graduate, numerous 6ams, and a change of directors just before Nationals, the cloggers didn't fail to bring home their 13th National Championship title in Maggie Valley with Running Set Precision! The last time the cloggers had won a national title was in 2003. New Director Danielle Buice has done well leading the cloggers this year and the program is only expected to grow and continue to amaze us all for the next 150 years!



Captains: Heidi Kulas and Char'Lee Pickens



The Team



Running Set Precision that won BMC the Naional Title



Cloggers perform on the Quad for Homecoming Week



Marching Band Routine



Cloggers Cheering at a Football Game



Team Prayer before competition



Team members that danced the Running Set that brought home the trophy

I feel like its just getting better and better.

- Director of BMC : Danielle Buice

I.S.U.

Insane Steppers in Unity



Insane Steppers in Unity have been amazing us for years and this one is no different. The team has grown substantially and are all that more enjoyable to watch. This year they wowed the crowd at Homecoming and other performances on campus, including the First Day Celebration in Moore Auditorium. An electricity fills the room whenever they enter. Their teamwork and harmony reflects in their performances and helps keep the crowd cheering in unity.



The Steppers end with unique individual poses



The "Step Train" rollin out!



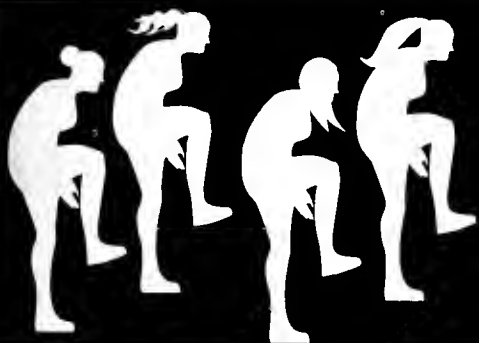
Steppers hit the floor



Mary Margaret Busts a Move



Get it Carling!



STEP TEAM



Mallory, Carling, and Mary Margaret



Tandra Landers leads the Routine



The Rhythm is divided into three sections now



Stomp, Clap, Stomp, Clap, Choo Choo

Students are always bringing me new ways of looking at the world.

- Mrs. Janet Bingham



The Mars Hill Dance team is always a pleasure to watch. Their spirit and enthusiasm excites the crowd everytime. The Team performed this year at Homecoming and proved once again that they have the ability to move with the times as well as the music.



The Team puts a finishing touch on their performance



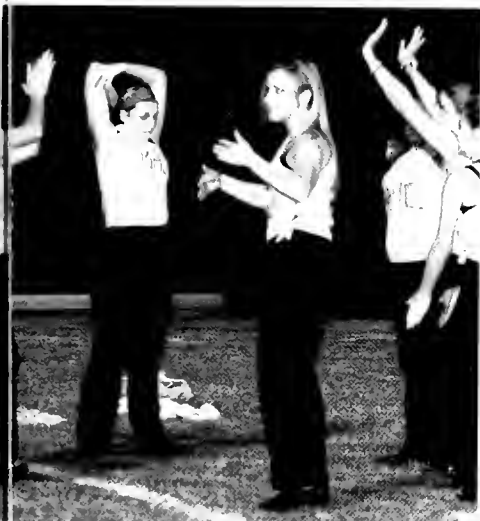
Mary Margaret Fulk



Dance Team in Unison on Field at Lion's Growl



The Team Crouched in Hoodies to Begin the Show



Miranda imitates the coach to the MHC football players during the dance team skit



Lionettes Make the Crowd Roar



Why are you reading this? They're doing the same thing they've been doing in all these pictures



To the left, to the left



A photo just doesn't do it. Come out and see them for yourself!

It's fun hanging out with so many cool people.

- Joe Quattlebaum

Marching

Band

The Mars Hill College Marching Band consisted of 33 members this year. The band was co-directed by both Mr. Al Corley and Mr. Brian Tinkle. Both directors were a valuable and irreplaceable part of the band. Through their guidance and Drum Major's on field guidance the band performed many numbers this season, the majority of them were remakes of old rock songs. While most of the members of the band are Music Education Majors, some members are currently double majoring in Music Performance. Practices took a substantial amount of time for the members and the conductors since they ran from 4 o'clock to 6 o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the first half of the semester. In addition to the regular practice sessions frequent section rehearsals were also called during the season. The band also had several DCI members in it this year in varied instrument sections.



The Roster

Directors:

Alton Corley
Brian Tinkle

Drum Major:

Amanda Hawkins

Alt Saxophone:

Alvin Anderson
Brandon Anthony
Casey Ann Martin

Euphonium:

Charlie Caldwell
Rachel Dudley
Ashley Matheson
Jared Thaxton

Percussion:

Andrew Barlow
Majorie Paulin
Philip Pransky
Luis Carrillo
Brandon Corley
Katie Cyr
Sarah Fowler
Emory Hensley
Tyler Hensley
Mandy Inabinct
Justin McHenry
Ashley Weiss



To the Left: Michael and Scotty looking cool in their shades before going on the field during the Homecoming Parade.

Above: Amanda Hawkins smiling for the camera.

To the Right: Band Members stand at attention at the end of the Homecoming Parade.



The Roster Continued:

Hornbone:
Ben Clymer
Cody Hensley
Kevin Hertlein
Paul Vanderveen

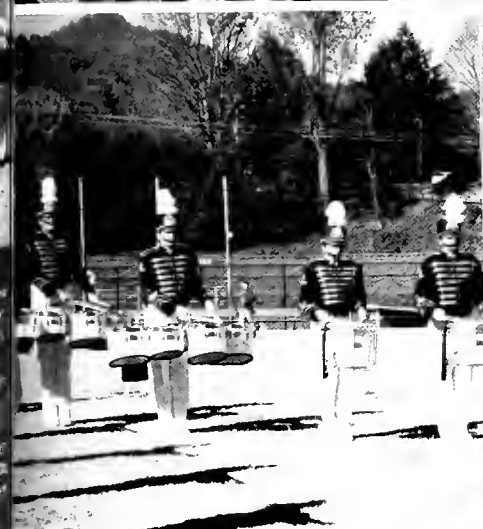
Trumpet:
James Collett
Ryan Hubbard
Tim Morgan
Mark Stern

Tuba:
Michael Gibson
Scott Roberts

Feature Tinel
Top Left: The drum line plays a Cadence at the band marches in this photo you can see the snare's accurate sticking.

Top Right: The band hits a set and plays music from memory during a home football game, much to the crowd's delight.

Bottom Right: The band finally gets a "rest" and plays music in the stand while the football game is being conducted.



Directly Above: The band plays during a home football game.

To the Right: The band marches down the Athletic street at the end of the Homecoming Parade. While they didn't get to pass out candy to the parade on-lookers, they entertained them with songs.



The size of the institution allows students and faculty to develop personal and meaningful learning relationships.

THE MHC CHOIR

The Mars Hill College Choirs are a major part of the college's performances that are offered to the student body and surrounding community. There are several different groups of various styles.

Mars Hill College Choir is the primary choral group on the campus of Mars Hill College. The Choir rehearses daily in preparation for its demanding schedule of performances throughout the academic year. The singers perform regularly with the college's instrumental ensembles in concerts held on the campus and, like their instrumental counterparts, tour regularly in the region, performing for numerous church, university, public school and community functions. Locally, the Choir has been in demand for performances of major works with both the Asheville Symphony and the South Carolina Philharmonic and has performed regularly for conventions of the American Choral Directors Association and the Music Educators National Conference. The Choir boasts several thousand alumni who return to the campus regularly for the Choir's performances and for the Alumni Reunions.

Chamber Singers, selected from among the members of the Mars Hill College Choir, also rehearse regularly within the academic schedule to prepare for their numerous concerts each year. This group is composed primarily of music majors who often conduct as well as accompany the ensemble in off-campus concerts. In recent years the ensembles have participated in the North Carolina ACDA Collegiate Choral Festivals, the Winthrop University Invitational Chamber Choir Festival, have performed in several concerts in New York City's Carnegie Hall, and have taken a European tour, performing in Great Britain, France, Austria and Germany.

Phi Mu Alpha
Sinfonium
performs at
graduation
ceremonies
to honor
the music
department
and
graduates.

May 2006



CHAMBER CHOIR

The chamber choir practices in Moore Auditorium before a performance.

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The reason I love Mars Hill is definitely the people! I love knowing everyone's name.

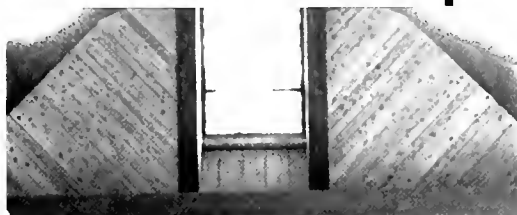
- Stephanie Brown

CHOIR

President: Adam Lockamy
Vice President: Himee Bohner
Secretary: Elizabeth Head
Librarian: Derrick Everhardt



ADAM
President



Dr. Cathy Adkins is a valued professor and accompanist on the piano.



DR. JOEL REED

Dr. Joel Reed conducts the choir during a rehearsal one day. The choir practices several times during the week and often performs at Crossroads as well as in Morris Hall room.



I like the small atmosphere and being able to recognize peoples faces. I also love how many diverse things you can get involved in.

- Nena Bryant

Wind Symphony

Jazz Band

Percussion Ensemble



Wind Symphony performing their Christmas Concert



Seniors work together to pack up instruments after the concert



Christmas Concert: If you weren't there you missed it!

Wind Symphony

The Mars Hill Wind symphony consist of brass, woodwinds and percussion. It is under the direction of Dr. Al Corely. The band plays a large variety of music from the classic traditional pieces to the newer contemporary pieces. The beautiful sounds fill Moore auditorium many times during the year. One concert at the end of the fall semester is full of Christmas music that warms the soul. The band has also appeared at state and regional conferences such as North Carolina Music Educators Association and the College Band Directors National Association. The free concerts are sure to indulge you in array of sounds that will surely treat your ear drums and keep you on the edge of your seat.



The Soothing Clarinet Section

If you weren't there- You missed it!



Kyle Hensley wows everyone with the Trombone



Steve Alford, professional jazz player, volunteers in giving lessons to MHC students. Jams out a solo.



Brandon Anthony excites the crowd on the Sax

Jazz Band

The Jazz band, under the direction of Dr. Steve Roberts brings soul and swing to the Blue Ridge Mountains. The bright sounds from the greats such as Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker, are sure to get your foot tappin'. The band has about 20 members and has instruments such as saxophones, trombones, trumpets and more! This is definitely one of the coolest bands around. You will not want to miss their free concerts in Moore Auditorium and also hear them at community events.



Al Corley directs the Wind Ensemble



Sonja Guthrie on French Horn



Freshman Ali Andrewjeski moves the crowd with her improv solo on saxophone



This photo speaks for itself, the music at MHC deserves an encore!

"Jazz band allows me to experience music at a whole new level. This music derived here in America and comes from the heart. This type of music becomes a part of you. One of the coolest things about jazz is improvisation. I get to create my own music and make it my own. It is art through sounds." -Brandon Anthony

Dr. Corley chooses complicated pieces that are challenging and a little bit beyond our current capability so that we get better. Pieces from different varieties so you get exposure to a lot of material and it's only going to help people get jobs out in the market.

- Leslie White

Willard: You know what it is, you've got an attitude problem. Ren: Oh I've got an attitude problem. Willard: Yes and I'm not the first one that's noticed it. Ren: Well I haven't noticed a wet T-shirt contest in town yet. Willard: Yeah but I'm waiting patiently.

Mars Hill College is proud to present it's Theater Department! Headed up by several loving staff members students are able to experience what it takes to put on a play, from the casting all the way at the beginning...to the striking of the stage at the end!

While the cast of the shows is predominately made up of Musical Theater Majors, it is not a requirement in order to be involved in the production of a play. In fact, one cast member



Dewitt Tipton



Mars Hill College Theater Department

Remorable Quotes: Gwendolyn: In matters of utmost importance, style, who we all see quite frequently in Owen Theater is an English Major!

The Department offers both a Major and a Minor in Musical Theater and is a valuable asset to our campus.



Joel Reed

I love attending MHC because its in such a gorgeous setting. The recreation activities are varied and plentiful and the outdoor community is very supportive here. Everyone does something.





Importance of Being Earnest



To lose both looks like carelessness. To lose one parent, Mr. Worthing, may be regarded as a misfortune. To lose one looks like carelessness.



Not sincerity, is the vital thing Lady Bracknell. To lose one parent, Mr. Worthing, may be regarded as a misfortune. To lose one looks like carelessness.



Bill Greg

One is easily fooled by that which one loves. The envious will die, but envy never trifles.



Richard Seagle



Neil St. Clair

The variety of people here.

- Jessica Favre



Christian Student Movement

The Christian Student Movement (or CSM) is dedicated to providing great Christian fellowship to the Mars Hill campus, as well as to help students further their walk with Christ. The group provides numerous exciting activities, from FLASH on Tuesday nights, to mission trips overseas. CSM president, Bekah Ludlow has been involved with the group since her freshman year, "When I attended the ice cream social my freshman year, I was hooked; CSM has been my family ever since. I'm a part of the leadership now so I can help plug others into the family of Christian fellowship that I've grown to love".



CSM at Fall Conference



Libby Fitzpatrick, Sarah Ludlow, Rachel Roberts, and Jami Stephens on a Journey Team's weekend



The main thing I like about Mars Hill is CSM. CSM is like a second family to me. I love the food and fellowship that we share on a weekly basis. We always have fun. CSM has so many different areas to get involved with and makes feel like you're part of the family. It is a one of a kind place and you won't find a place like it anywhere else on campus. My most favorite part about CSM is that it's not just a once a week thing. We take mission trips together and hang out outside of Bently Fellowship Hall. When Katrina hit, CSM planned a trip to the gulf for both fall break and spring break. I think it is an awesome ministry and it has changed my life."

- Sarah Ludlow

C.S.M.



The Crew Having Dinner



Stephanie Brown and Erica Kishlar



Campus Miister Todd Bowling helps to paint a boys home in Maryland on the fall break mission trip.

"Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone."

- Ephesians 2:19-20



CSM's Jouney Teams in Rocky Mount

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

-Matthew 25:40

I enjoy Mars Hill because of CSM. It's just a great way to have a spiritual outlet.

- Alex Sams

F.C.A.



Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets on Thursday nights in the Blue Lounge for some high energy and deep hearted worship of the Lord Jesus Christ. Whether you're an athlete or not, this group wants you on the team to enjoy skits, devotionals from key speakers, prayer, and worship music from FCA's own praise band! The crowd was moved as FCA put on a skit at the Lion's Growl this year about Jesus' healing power and sacrifice of love for all people. These members know how to support, encourage, and pump up one another and would like you to know that it's all because of Christ.



MHC Baseball Pitcher Kenny Goetze



Christa Fullwood and Shannon Lee jus' chillin



FCA members meet in the Blue Lounge



Stephanie Brown reading her Bible a.k.a. God's love letter



Friends come together at FCA

re totally awesome, amazing, encouraging, worshipful, building, loving, exciting, fun, thrilling, comfortable, relaxing, sweeeet, marvelous, incredible, spiritual, crazy, Godly, heart-opening, humbling, eye-opening, God focused, hype, word-to-your-mother amazing, invigorating, refreshing, ling, fulfilling, enriching, educational, salvific, intense, friendly, wonderful...

Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Leece Giles, Shannon Lee, Antonio Douglas, Ollin Dunford, Cody Montgomery, Coach Kevin Barnette



FCA members hang out before the meeting

**"Whatever you
do, work at it
with all your
heart as working
for God, not for
men."**

-Colossians 3:23



"And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." - Philippians 4:7

I like how people are real and how people can just come and hang out and be able to worship God and have a good time together.

- Shannon Lee

REFUGE



Three years ago Dirk Helmling, then leader of the 29:11 student ministries, which met in a small office on Main Street above Paw Prints, had a vision of uniting the christians on campus. The Refuge first met in the Timberline in 2004 and then moved to the Loft last year. As it grew, the group found a more comfortable location in the Fellowship Hall. The Refuge serves no specific group but all who call on Christ as their Lord and Savior, however students from all walks of life are welcome. It offers intimate worship, challenging Bible study, and discipleship. The Wednesday night Bible studies began with the Coffee House at 6:00, then music, student interviews, and then a devotional. The Refuge saw God do great things on their annual winter retreat and a fall mission trip to Greece.



Refuge peeps

Leadership Team: (Right) Sara Clark, Allison Collins, Jami Stephens, Beth Hardin



Dirk visits with a couple from Greece



Child from Greece Mission Trip



Cody Montgomery



Lucy and Casey



Refuge Leadership Team Fall Retreat

Far Left: Leadership Team: Jamie Phillips, Aaron Buchanan, Dirk Helmling & son Dawson
Marty Gilbert, Matt Welch



Challenging and Equipping Students to Become Passionate Followers of Christ



Refuge Christmas Party at the Helmling's House



Hudson gets sunglasses in the gift exchange game



Casey gets God's gift for Christmas



Jamie Phillips a.k.a. best Coffee/Hot Chocolate maker in the Southeast



D.P. sings a worship song



Rachel Roberts lifts her hands in Praise



Danielle Kamffer and Carlee Macon enjoying the Coffee and Fellowship



Danielle Kamffer and Kate Prichard praying



Kayla Hoche listens to the devotional

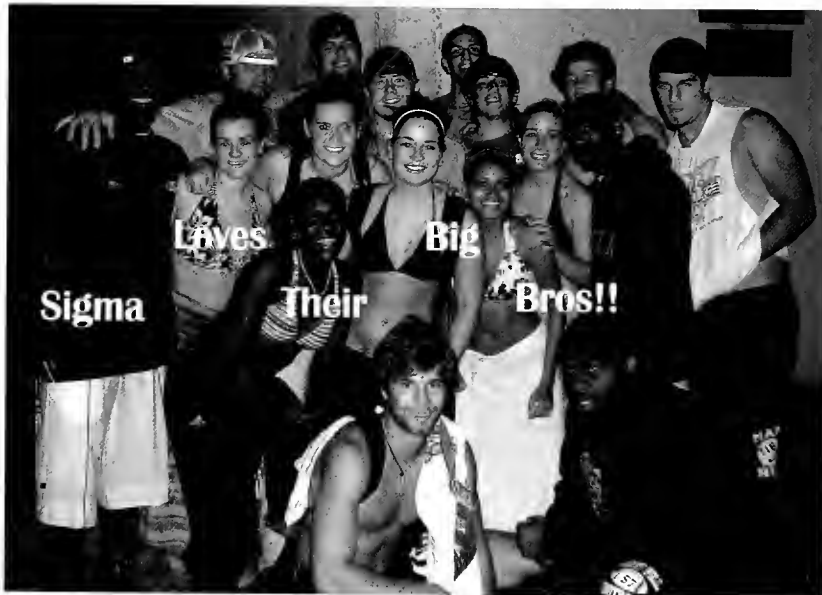
The Refuge is full of great people, great fun, but most importantly a great spirit in the atmosphere. It brings you not only closer to the Lord but also closer to the people you share the campus with.

- Tasha Whitt

Sigma Alpha Chi



Sigma Alpha Chi is a Service sorority. It is the oldest sorority at Mars Hill, started in 1965. We have well over 300 members and continue to stay strong. We are a small group, so we are very close. Each year we have 2 set service projects that were started when the sorority was started. In the fall semester we have the Rock-A-Thon at the McDonalds in Weaverville. We rock for 12 hours to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House. In the spring semester, we have the Swing-A-Thon where we swing in front of the Wal-Mart in Asheville for 12 hours to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network.



Sigma and their Big Brothers at Hot Springs



Lady Westmoreland: Big Brother Chair, Co-Pledge mistress, Fundraiser, Historian



Ramla Osmon: President, Service



Sigma Girls on the Quad



Other Sigma Girls:

Lisa Turtzo
Jessi McLellan
Lori Waite

Maryanne Brown: Social, Treasurer,
Co-Pledge Mistress



Elizabeth Gunderson:
Vice President, Alumni

The pledges (now SISTERS) in their halloween
Costumes



Sarah Thomas: Chaplain, Pledge Mistress

I like Mars Hill because of the small class sizes and the campus is pretty.

- Libby Fitzpatrick

Delta Zeta

Delta Zeta has 19 members and is currently the only national sorority on campus. They were founded at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio in 1902. Their 165 college chapters are distributed from coast to coast while our 250 alumnae chapters offer continuing association in 50 states, including Hawaii and Alaska, as well as the United Kingdom and Canada. Their colors are rose and green, their mascot is the turtle, and their flower is the Killarney rose. Delta Zeta's emblem is the roman lamp. Delta Zeta's philanthropy is the speech and hearing impaired, The Painted Turtle Camp, and The Starkey Hearing Foundation. Every year, Delta Zeta participates in their national philanthropy project, the Sound Beginnings Program, as well as other service projects. Some events the sisters do throughout the year include our annual Talent Show, scavenger hunts, homecoming, and a brunch for our alumnae to stay close to them.



Delta Zeta's
50s Diner
Homecoming
float that won us
a 3rd place finish

Delta Zeta's love tiaras! We get them everytime. Mr. and Miss Mars Hill Pageant 2006, Leah Cunningham, surrounded by her sisters after being crowned by Danielle Buice, another Delta Zeta who was Miss Mars Hill 2004.



Feels Like Family



Delta Zeta's Lamp Emblem

Lauren Degariu, Ashlev Lear, Kasey Barefoot, Samantha Delgado, and Cate Carpenter bowling with Meghan Person, Educational Leadership Consultant, who stayed with us for 5 days to observe our chapter progress



Delta Girls in Poodle Skirts



Delta Zetas with our sister, Samantha Delgado, who represented the sophomore class on the 2006 Homecoming court.



Tabatha Woodson, Ashley Reed, Lauren Degariu, Samantha Delgado, Kasey Barefoot, Sheena Camp, and Ashlev Lear cleaning out a pond as part of a service project done for Dr. Pollard, the VP of MHC.

It's small enough to get one on one attention.

- Steven Hart

Gamma Chi Epsilon



Gamma Chi Epsilon in the Homecoming Parade

Founded in 1986, this is Gamma Chi Epsilon's 20th year as an organization on the Mars Hill Campus. Gamma Chi Epsilon is a service oriented organization. We have done service projects such as raising money for Breast Cancer Awareness, raising donations for the Mackey House fire, Campus Clean-Up, and sponsoring a little girl from a third world country. We have sisters involved through out the campus in things such as Hill Guides, Theater Arts, Grayson Scholars, the Inter Greek Counsel Executive Board, and the Student Affairs Counsel.

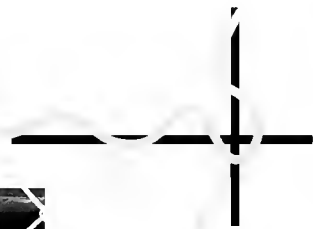


Gamma Chi Epsilon Rush Table



Gamma Dinner





Gamma Girls

Lesley Ladd
Sandra Johnson
Sara Craig
Kendra Kamees
Casi Williams
Lizzie Gerhard
Katie Ledford
Stacey Heavner
April Graham
Jennifer Ariel

Gamma Girls sportin the shades at Homecoming



Gamma Girls on the Quad

I am from Northern NJ so I like Mars Hill because it is nice, quiet and calm and I feel like I can actually breathe

- Larisa Cauwenbergh

Iota Chi Alpha

Also known as IXA

Iota Chi Alpha was formed in 1984 when the little sisters of Iota Alpha Omega decided they wanted to become an independent organization. They believed in a group that would promote the spiritual and intellectual growth of it's members, Mars Hill College, and the surrounding Community.

The sisters of Iota Chi Alpha are deeply involved both College and Community. Our sisters have majors ranging from Theatre to Zoology to Psychology to History to Business. We are also involved in other Campus organizations such as Active Minds, Alpha Psi Omega (theater honor society), Sigma Alpha Iota (the international music fraternity).

Both Sisters and Pledges are involved in the community, since several of our sisters are honor scholars. Our Community Service Engagement includes volunteering at several different locations in addition to an annual fundraiser for the Tri-County Pregnancy Center in Burnsville.



Left: Dricka, Travis and Cassandra at Homecoming snappin the beat like true beatniks.

Above: Camilla, Andrea, Nicole and Heather showin off their poodle skirts.

Top Right: Bekka on Colors Day posin pretty for the camera!

Middle Right: IXA Door Decorations

Bottom Right: Our advisor, Mrs. Nancy Fossum...who aparently grows hands out of her head!





Left Top: Bekka and Heidi at Mocktails Night during Rush Week, they look so happy!

Bottom Left: Homecoming 2006 Float



Bottom: Sisters at Mocktails Night during Rush Week, aren't we pretty? :)

Right: Cassandra at Energy Exchanging-lifting the skirt of the fern to de-leaf it.



It's a flashback to the 1960's...Run for Cover!!!



Above: Homecoming Week 2006 before we got onto the float...don't they look like they belong in the 1960s? Travis in the back and then Laura, Leilani, Heather, Heidi and Nicole in front.

Left: Sisters Volunteering at Energy Exchange in Burnsville, NC. In the back are Andrea, Camilla and Heather. In the middle are Liz, Cassandra, Carla, the coolest dog ever and Lindsey.



IXA Stands for Jesus Christ First!



The Roster



Advisor:
Nancy Fossum

Active Sisters:
Lindsey Ward
Cassandra Rising
Heather Brooks
Andrea McCrary
Jessica Issacs
Fredricka Porter
Camilla Bahr
Nicole Robinson
Bekka Fogle
Heidi Richards
Leilani Chambers
Heather Gainey

Big Brothers:
Shane Johnson
Andrew Barlow
Andrew Chilton
Jeremy Graco
Christopher Hewitt
Travis Sullens
Matt Waisner

Our Mottos are:
Sisters who Pray Together, Stay Together.
Unique, Yet United!

The people here are friendly and it's a great location.

- Fredricka Porter

LOTA ALPHA OMEGA

Iota Alpha Omega is a national Christian service and social fraternity. It has been on this campus since 1982. Unfortunately by 1998 interest in the group died, however, it is because of its reemergence in 2003 that it adopted the emblem of a Phoenix. The members are from all different religious backgrounds of the Christian faith and focus on small service projects and social activities including food drives and jam sessions. This year, they helped with the fundraising dance on campus for Special Olympics. For fun, these guys like to play video games and watch movies. "We are the real thing, no double talk when it comes to us. We are all about having balance in life and talking about how to get there by looking to the Trinity," says Iota Alpha Omega.

Active members: Andrew Wiegratz, Antonio Douglas, Tavarus Hill, Marshall Watlington, Josh Sims, Jared Peebles, and Adam Kinser.

Honorary members: Aaron Hawkins, Brandon Knight, Channing Lankford.

We would like to wish our graduating members Matt Wisner and Nicholas Felts the best of luck in the future.



Iota Alpha Omega Logo



Antonio Douglas



Andrew Wiegratz



Brandon Knight



Marshall Watlington

OF GAMMA PSI LAMBDA



Tavarus Hill, Andrew Weigratz, Antonio Douglas, and Dane Chillin' in Meyers.



Antonio, Andrew, Previous Brother: Matthew D., and Tavarus



Brother, Antonio, Andrew, Josh Sims stare down the crowd at the Lion's Growl.



Frat Brothers Marshall and Josh



Tavarus was welcomed back on campus after a medical leave



Josh, Kyle, Joe, Marshall lookin tough on the field!

I love the music faculty at Mars Hill; all the expertise of a large university is available on a close, personal basis!

-Alison Young

Delta Phi Zeta



This service and social sorority, Delta Phi Zeta, was established at Mars Hill College in 1966 and are proud to celebrate their 40th anniversary! The sorority currently consists of 15 amazing women, a close family that lives together; laughs together; and grows together. Each sister has individual uniqueness, but they all love and support each other. Delta Phi Zeta's ability to accept each others' differences is what creates this very special sisterhood. They aim to promote unity through service to Mars Hill College and its surrounding community. This year, the sisters of Delta Phi Zeta have raised money to support an art program for an orphanage in Mexico called Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos. They also carolled at the Mars Hill Retirement Home for the holidays. Green and Yellow are their colors, the Alligator is their mascot and their flower is the yellow rose.



Kathy Timpson, Cody Webb, Carrie Vann, Amie Edminson, Molly Leedom, Emily Rude

In their spare time, the sisters can be found hanging out with each other; their big brothers, and alumni sisters

Delta Phi Zeta Sisters:

President-

Rachell Banks

Vice President of Service &

Fund Raising Captain-

Kathy Timpson

Vice President of Socials-

Amie Edminson

Treasurer-

Bertha Stalls

Secretary-

Lauren Ann Finley

Pledge Mistress-

Cody Webb

Co-Pledge Mistress-

Molly Leedom

Devotional Chair-

Carrie Vann

Historian-

Rebecca Barker

Inter-Greek Council Representative

Maricella Diaz

Proud Sister- Emily Rude

Proud Sister-Melia McDowell

Proud Sister- Marie Hicks

Proud Sister- Quenby Keisler

Proud Sister- Wendy Woody



Homecoming Parade, Rockin the 1960's

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I like the people and the mountains. There are good people here and the views are so beautiful.

- Abraham Maker



D-Phi til' the day they die!



Alumni Sara Randolph, Carrie Vann, Molly Leedom, Cody Webb, Becca Barker, Emily Rude, Amie Edminson, Kathy Timpson, Lauren Ann Finley, and Maricella Diaz



A D-Phi Dinner!



D-Phi represents the 1960's for Lion's Growl 2006... "Peace and Love!"



We love our Alumni Sisters. Once a D-Phi, Always a D-Phi



Greek Toga Party in the Lott: Pre-Rush Event of Fall 2006

The Reason Why goes here.

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- Person's Name

Delta Kappa Theta

Delta Kappa Theta is a local social and service fraternity that was established in 1973. Affectionately known as "the gentlemen on campus," the brothers take part in many social activities and service projects on and off campus. Every fall, the brothers continue the tradition of hosting the Red Cross Blood Drive. Delta Kappa Theta has also volunteered at Manna Food Bank, raked leaves, and helped feed families this Thanksgiving. The brothers also host their annual Greek Goddess competition every spring. When they aren't in class or studying, the brothers can be found showing their school spirit by supporting the social and athletic events of the college. The brothers had the crowd roaring at the Lion's Growl with their hilarious skit that won the competition!



DKT at their annual Banquet O'Charleys



"The Gentlemen" and Rose Queen Mary Kathryn Lyerly at Dinner



Jorge and his banquet date Erin



Brother Josh Hasty in the Timberline for Open Rush this Spring



Michael Fisher lookin suave, as always at Open Rush

"The Gentlemen on Campus"



Jared Cohn giving approval for
O'Charleys fine dining



Brother Joseph Quattlebaum and fellow Greeks in the
Timberline for Open Rush



DKT heats things up with a little campfire.



Michael Costello and Phillip Fitzhugh show off
their tats



ou can walk out of your door and see the breathtaking mountains and are immediately aware of how small you are.

Alpha Psi Omega

Matt Shearin and Courtney Pierce advertise Alpha Psi's face-painting at the Heritage Festival

Before the Homecoming Parade - Theme: 1940s Black and White Photos Come to Life
 Front - Kristine Pugh, Hannah McGinnis
 Middle - Latoya Sharpe, Immanuel Elliott, Courtney Pierce
 Back - Allison Ball, Anne G'Fellers, Autumn Shearin, Matt Shearin



Members: Front - Autumn Shearin Middle - Anne G'Fellers, Mary Kathryn Lyerly, Immanuel Elliott, Kristine Pugh, Jessica Cyr Back - Latoya Sharpe



Alpha Psi Omega is an official organization designed to unite theatre majors on campus.

Officers

President - Anne G'Fellers

Vice President - Immanuel Elliott

Treasurer - Kristine Pugh

Secretary - Mary Kathryn Lyerly

Historian - Jessica Cyr

Parliamentarian - Latoya Sharpe

Your Friendly Neighborhood Theatre Fraternity

Allison Ball, Hannah McGinnis, Courtney Pierce, and Latoya Sharpe recreate the famous picture of the girls with "Mars Hill" taped to the bottom of their shoes.



Latoya Sharpe sell concessions during Treasures

Immanuel Elliott tackles Matt Shearin (the Jock) as Autumn Shearin (the Cheerleader) cheers from the sidelines. Getting ready for homecoming.)



Understudies: Courtney Pierce, Matt Shearin, and Allison Ball

I like the atmosphere and the mountains. They're good for running. I like meeting so many people from so many different backgrounds. It's awesome!

- Will Mikolajczak

ZETA CHI THETA

Founded in 1986, the men of Zeta Chi Theta celebrate their 20th year of brotherhood. For two decades, Zeta's members have been striving each day to better themselves and their community. They joke that, "We are kind of like Denzel Washington. Women want us and men want to be us."

Jackie Blankenship, Matt Vogel, and Adam Fosson hangin out



Frat Brothers Matt Vogel and Jackie Blankenship



Matt Vogel is DOG

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS!

President: Matt Vogel

Vice Pres: Javarous
Wilson

Active Members: Jack
Blankenship, Brandon
Church, and Zach
Keister



Jackie Blankenship and Zach Keister



Brandon Church lookin' tough



Little Sister Lady Westmoreland writes
graffiti on Church



Javarous
Wilson
wants you!

I enjoy Mars Hill College because all of the extra-curricular activities that the campus provides.

—Sable Adams

Alpha Chi



New 2006-2007 Inductees receive pins and certificates at the annual Alpha Chi Banquet in Redw

Alpha Chi is a nationally recognized honor society to award the top 10% of both the Junior and Senior class. Since 1922, the purpose of Alpha Chi has been to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students. The North Carolina Epsilon Chapter 120 was installed at Mars Hill in 1971.

For the past few years, and again this year, the Mars Hill chapter has been awarded "Star Chapter" recognition for our work in the community and for inducting new members each year. Each spring Alpha Chi is involved in the school supply drive for Madison Middle, as we will be again this spring, and made a new goal this year to be more involved on Campus.

In Spring 2008 they will be hosting the Region III convention in Asheville for all the other chapters from other colleges to attend. The year was made even more exciting when a number of Alpha Chi members traveled to Phoenix Arizona for an Alpha Chi convention to perform presentations and represent the MHC chapter.

Officers:

Danielle Kamffer:
President
Rebekah Ludlow:
Vice President
Megan Kelly:
Secretary
Casey English:
Treasurer



Prof. Clemons, Danielle Kamffer, Rebekah Ludlow,
Casey English, Megan Kelly

B.S.A.

Black Student Association
 an educational and cultural non-profit
 and non-political organization that strives
 to help African-Americans preserve,
 advance, and represent the social and
 intellectual aspects of Black culture. BSA
 provides an atmosphere of support and
 serves as a representative body on issues
 and concerns affecting black students
 on campus. We aim to develop closer
 cooperation and understanding among
 black students and all organizations on
 campus. The BSA provides programming
 and events for the entire campus from an
 African American perspective. The orga-
 nization represents the interests of the
 Black Student Community.



Members:
President:
 Porsha Lackey
Vice President/Secretary:
 Ciara Felder
Event Coordinators:
 Joe Sims
 Latoya Sharpe
Multicultural
Commissions Director:
 Josh Sims
Historian:
 Tiffany Davis
 Jessica Whitener
 Sharisse Sutherland
 Britney Dies
 Jasmine Young
 Shemiah Reid
 Ryan Wright



BSA went to Mars Hill Elementary for the Afterschool program and played frisbee football and sing-a-long games with them!



I like MHC because of the friendly atmosphere.

Tiffany Davis

MHC Faculty and Staff

Who says professors don't understand what it's like to be a college student? These amazing, influential, strong leaders were once confused and young students, just like us. Mars Hill is adored for its small, friendly campus atmosphere where you greet your mentors and peers many times a day, but can you recognize your faculty or staff members when they were younger?

A



I was raised in Cincinnati Ohio and have been married for 45 years.

B



Married my college sweetheart, the former Jennifer Leigh Mitchell

C



My first rock concert was *The Beatles* at Shea Stadium in 1968 when I was 14 years old.

D



I Majored in Music and Minored in Religion

E



Began working at Mars Hill College in 1956 and was here for the 100 Year Celebration and is here for the 150th.

G



Served the college as interim president for 16 months and was inducted as MHC's 21st president in 2002.

F



Class of 1980, Accounting Major, I began working at MHC at the day following graduation.

H



My nickname on the road bike is "Dr. of Pain."

We love them Now and Then!

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J

Has been a member of the MHC faculty since 1969!



I have been married 45 years and have two grown sons

Got my first pair of Nike "waffle trainers" from the running store above what is now Aeropagus.

L

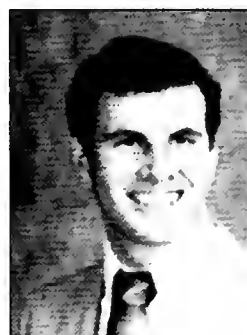


I changed my major from Journalism to Dance my freshman year of college.

K



P



Graduated from Mars Hill in 1985

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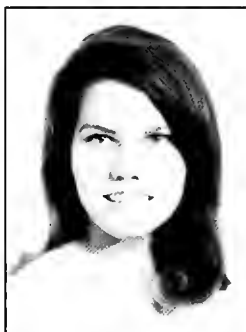
Attended Mills River High School in Henderson County

O



I have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.

R



I went to Converse College in Spartanburg, SC.

Below: Voted "shyest" and "quietest" in high school. Went on to work in radio, TV, and public relations/communications

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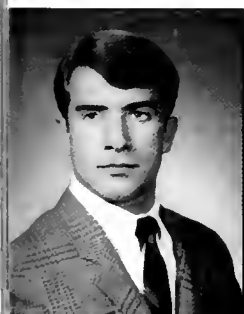


I once had a top secret government clearance

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Was Working at Contel Telephone Company (now Verizon) when asked to come back to the Hill as a teacher



Won Best in Exhibition, 2005-6 North Carolina Photographers' Exhibition at Meredith College.

The faculty truly care about you as a person. They try to help you out as much as possible and see that you do come out on top.

- Crystalyn Morgan

Our Faculty



Julie Fortney,
Cathy Adkins,
Joel Reed,
Steven Roberts,
Doug Gordon,
Brain Tinkel

Not Pictured:
Cynthia Perkins,
Jim Sparrow, Al
Corley, Paula
Corley)



Greg Clemons, Bob Kramer, Gordon Hinner

Hal McDonald, Jason Pierce, Joanna Pierce,
Carol Boggess, Virginia Bower, Noel Kinnamo



Fashion & Interior Merchandising



Rebecca Cody
Brenda Russell

Jim Brown, Barbara Cary,
Thomas Destino, Deb Morris,
Cornelia Wood, Chris Cain, —



Alan Smith
Jerome May
Eva Lacy,
William Whit
Jo Ann Croon
Sam Boggess
Roxana Coich





Gordon Roberts
Don Russell
Marty Gilbert
Sarah Butrum
Ashley Gilliland
Stelen Howard



Walter Stroud, Vael Baldwin, John Cook



George
Peery
and
Larry
Stern

Social Work

Not Pictured:
Julia Nooe, Beth Vogler,
Cherry Saenger

Matthew Baldwin
Walter Ziffer, Katherine Meachem,
Marc Mullinax, Leslee Johnson



Paul Murray, Jane Renfroe, Richard Cary, Scott Lowrey,
Janne Hutt



Kathy Newfont, Phyllis Smith, Jim Lenburg



Paul Smith, Grainger Caudle, Ryan Pickens, Jim Utterback, Joe Blair,
Wilma Carlisle, Ted Berzinski



That's why I chose Mars Hill, because of the
small classes.

- Tiffany Bussey

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 and Todd
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Gillian Bossonetto, Stan Dotson, Caty Carpenter, Missy
 Harris, Cindy Frost



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I love the small campus and individual attention in classes. I love being able to walk across campus and see people I know. The warm, friendly atmosphere is what drew me to MHC.

- Rachel Roberts

Seniors

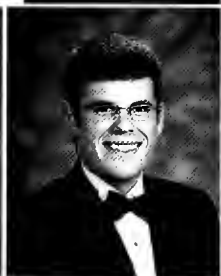
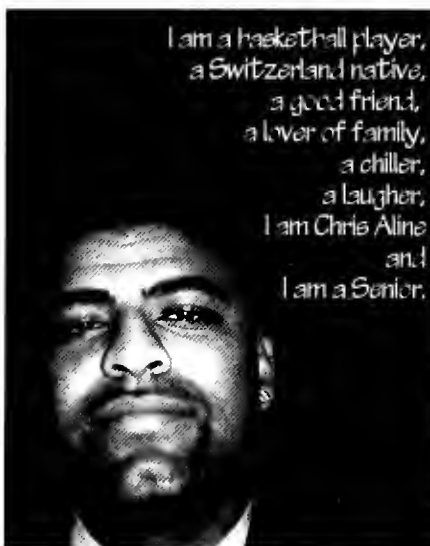
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Baker, April

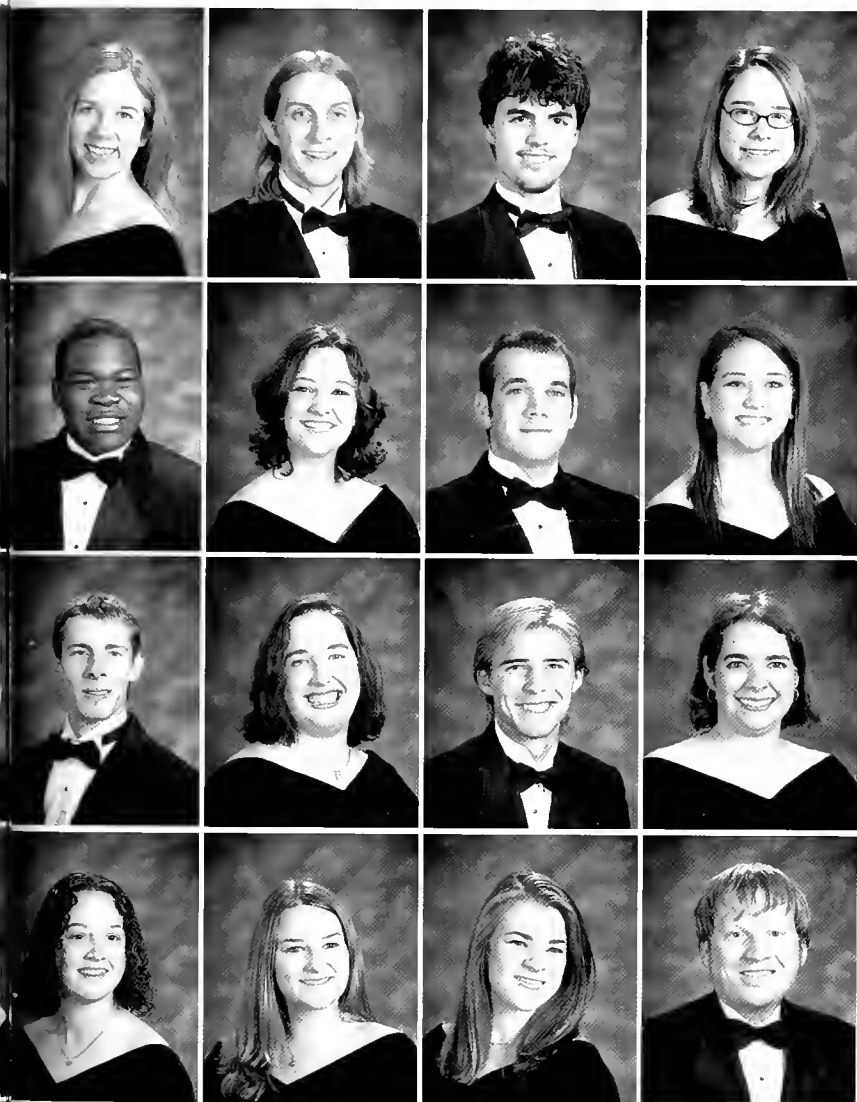
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Bryden, Katie

Bunyan, Kristalyn
Camp, Sheena
Clark, Amanda
Coates, Christin

Cross, Jennifer
Dellinger, Maranda
De Loach, Stephanie
De Point, Karissa



Class of 2007



English, Casey
Fields, David
Finch, Matthew
Findell, Desiree

Fisher, Michael
Fowler, Sarah
Freeman, James Brandon
Fulk, Mary-Margaret

Fusco, Joseph
G'Fellers, Anne
Gomez, Oscar
Graves, Jennifer

Gray, Leslie
Greene, Rhonda
Gunderson, Elizabeth
Hart, Blake

As a theatre major there are plenty of opportunities for me to get hands-on experience between working in Owen Theater and Moore, and for BMC.

- Josh Hasty

Seniors

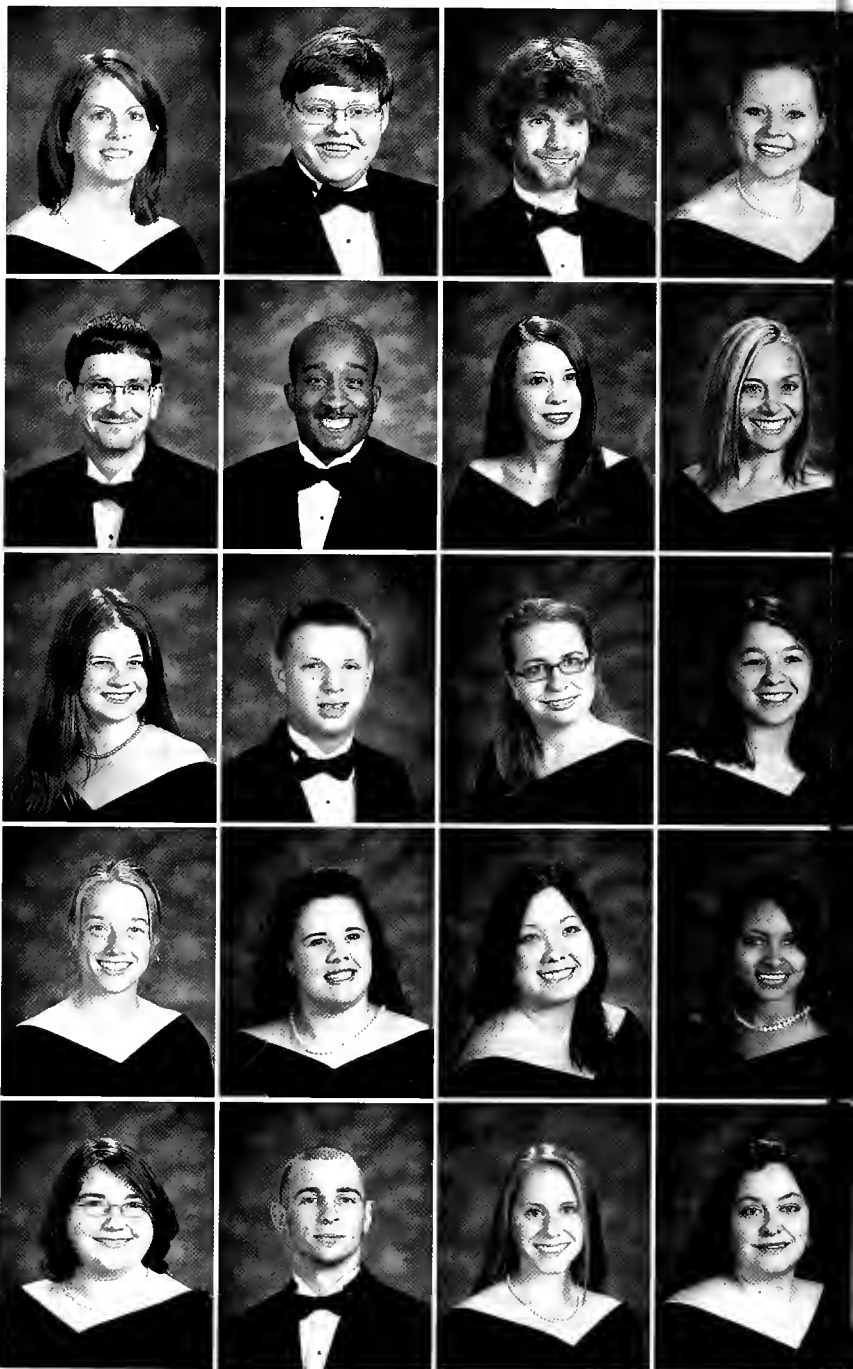
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Howell, Brandy

Inman, Martin
Johnson, Shane
Kowalczyk, Hannah
Kulas, Heidi

Ladd, Lesley
Lail, Josh
Ludlow, Rebekah
Matheson, Ashley

McCauley, Ashley
Meadows, Heather
Merritt, Daisha
Osman, Ramla

Otey, Priscilla
Pierson, Jon
Prichard, Katherine
Pugh, Kristine



Class of 2007



Risberg, Justin
Robinson, Nicole
Ross, Suzie
Self, Tiffany



Slagle, April
Smith, Christina
Stepniak, Carling
Swanson, Lee



Taylor, Betsy
Trammell, Kasey
Vance, Kristie
Vroom, David



Walker, Tristan
Webb, Crystal
Wiegatz, Andrew
Winters, Lynette



Young, Amber
Young, Jocelyn

I first came here and the professors were wonderful. It just feels nice to me.

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- Joseph Deng

Juniors

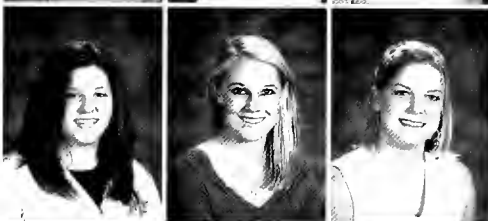
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Bohner, Aimee
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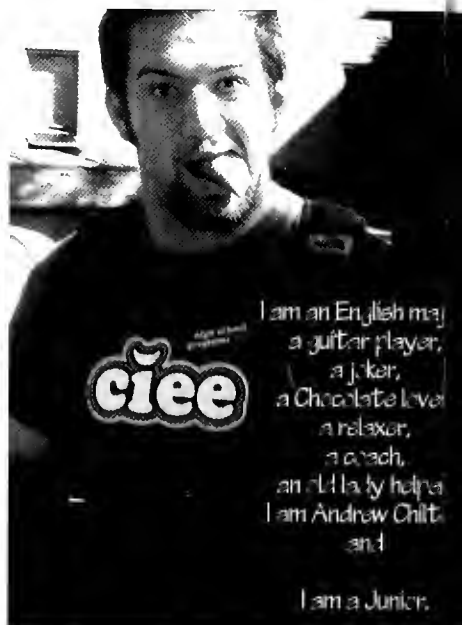
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Inabinet, Amanda



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Kelly, Megan
Kupstas, Matthew
Lackey, Porsha
Larson, Josiah
Leamy, Casey



Leedom, Molly
Lockamy, Adam
Long, Ashley
Lowman, Jessica
Macon, Carlee
McCoy, Sarah



Class of 2008



McHone, Cherish
Montgomery, Cody
Moran, Megan



Nix, Jared
Ogasawara, Shaki
Oreka, Tiffany



Osborn, Kristina
Peragine, Nick
Pierce, Courtney
Reynolds, Cody
Rogers, Bentley
Scruggs, Jordan



Simmons, Whitney
Smith, Nathaniel
Stalls, Bertha
Staten, Ginger
Sullens, Travis
Taylor, Jacklyn



Tilley, Joshua
Timpson, Kathy
Trasport, Mallory
Vann, Carrie
Ward, Lindsey
Waymont, Daniel



White, Miley
Young, Alison
Young, Jasmine

It's different from the rest.

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- Johnny P.

Sophomores

I am a national champion.
I am a little sister.
I am a runner and cyclist.
I am positive and encouraging.
I am an Alabama girl.
I am Melissa Holloway.
I am a Sophomore.



Alford, Shamira
Anthony, Brandon
Ball, Allison
Brockwell, Kristy
Brooks, Erin
Brown, Maryanne



Browne, Patrick
Bruce, Jennifer
Burn, Tenzie
Carrillo, Guadalupe
Cunningham, Leah
Delgado, Samantha



Gardner, Danielle
Gerhard, Elizabeth
Givens, Louis
Greco, Jeremy
Hucks, Joyce
Huskins, Carrie



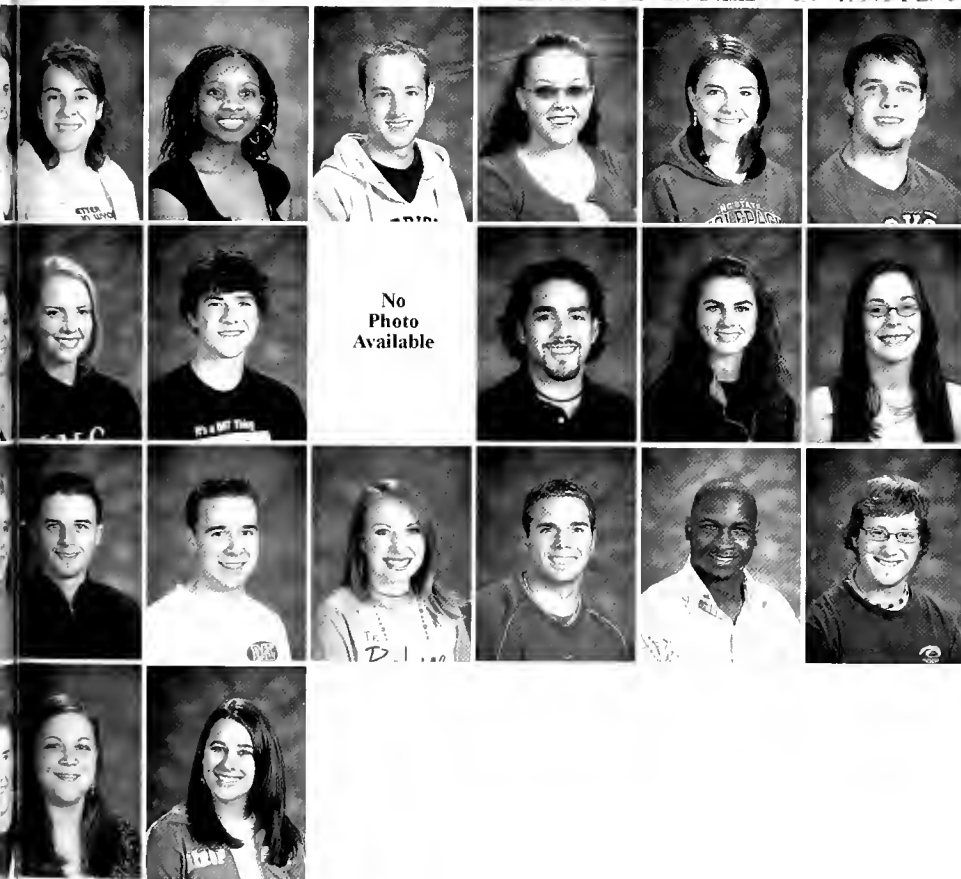
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Kearney, Devon
Keisler, Quenby
Knapp, Mackenzie
Knight, Rebecca
Lockey, Nathan



Class of 2009



Palmer-
Dickson
Apartments
after the
first winter
snow



Ludlow, Sarah
Mangena, Siphoeshle
McCoy, Ryan
McKinney, Hannah
Montgomery, Malena
Owens, Jake

Perry, Kim
Quattlebaum, Joseph
Renes, Lana
Reyes, Brian
Riddle, Jo Anna
Rude, Emily

Sams, Edwin
Saxon, Stephen
Stephens, Jami
Stidham, Rainer
Thompson, Demarcus
Waisner, Mark

Warren, Mindy
Wise, Krystal

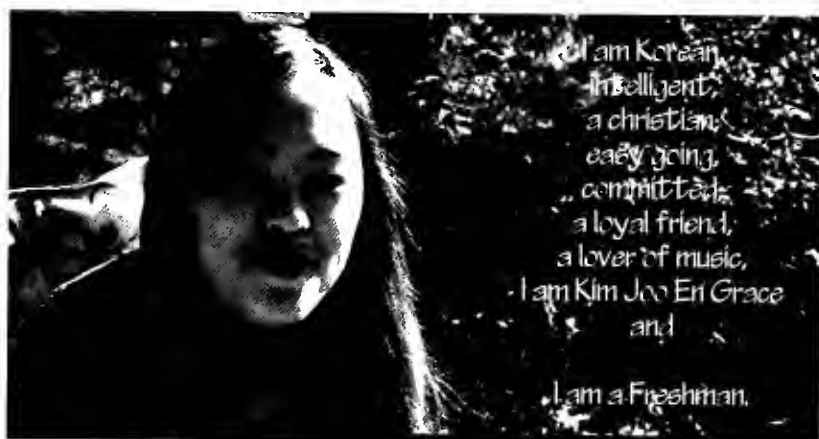
I like the atmosphere.

- Kenyari Addison

freshmen

Adams, Sable

Allen, Todd



Anderson, Megan
Ariel, Jennifer
Barrier, Lindsey
Bridgeman, Trey
Bridges, Ashley
Brozos, Konstantinos



Cardwell, Kacie
Caver, Craig
Coates, Tyler
Crenshaw, Ben
Daws, Jenny
Delozier, Brittney



Devinney, Karyn
De Vries, Jason
Edwards, Cristina
Fares, Catherine
Farthing, Tiffany
Ferrill, Caitlin



Fogle, Rebekka
Fullwood, Christa
Gonzalez-Carrasquero,
Carlos
Greene, Katy
Hall, Justin
Hayes, Nadine



Class of 2010



Henz, Steve
Herring, Jesse
Johnson, Brandon

Kamata, Keisuke
Kim, Grace
Komori, Tatsuya



Lee, Eunjung
Lotz, Chad
McCarthy, Ashley
McGinnis, Hudson
McMillan, Serena
Morgan, Crystalyn



Norwood, Whitney
Percy, Megan
Potosky, Jessica
Price, Savannah
Renes, Lance
Richards, Heidi



Ross, Sarah
Semenyakin, Dmitri
Silveman, Jeff
Toman, Kyle
Walsh, Jake
Whicker, Erika

Williams, Kimberlee
Young, Jessica
Zedom, M. Jacqueline

I like Mars Hill because of the close-knit ambience.

- Heather Wright

Hilltop

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LESLI FRAZIER
ELIZABETH HEAD
JON HELSABECK
INGRID HOPKINS
MEGAN MORAN
KATE PRICHARD
MILEY WHITE

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ELIZABETH HEAD
MATT HUTCHENS
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CHRISTINE JOHNSON
SHANE JOHNSON
DANIELLE KAMFE
PORSHA LACKEY
ANDREA POWELL
ROB TAYLOR
ALEX TURNER
JESSIE YOUNG



The people. The friendships I've made here will last a lifetime. Also the Greek and Hebrew I have learner will tremendously help my career.

- Shane Renaldo Johnson

One Thousand Tongues and Groove

One Thousand Tongues & Groove is a carpentry term that was used to describe the "method of fitting similar objects together," (Wikipedia). In TT&G, that is our goal. We want people to understand that it is okay that we come from different walks of life and how similar most of our lives are. Another important part of TT&G is helping students to realize that each individual plays a key role in creating this diverse community we have here at Mars Hill College. Stan Dotson started this wonderful organization last year and Jay Gillie has helped hold such events as Quizzo, Open Mic Night, Poetry Slam, Comedy Night, South Park Night, and the Halloween Part



1,000 Tongues and Groove was held in the Timberline



Stan Dotson talks with Freshmen Jenny Lee



The Group enjoys good ole fashioned Pizza on a Saturday



Brian Danforth, Antonyo Douglas, and Jay Gillie form a drum circle



I like the small classrooms.

- Justin Williams

Of the key players in TT&G there is:

Leslie Johnson
 Kristalyn Bunyan
 Mary Margaret Fulk
 Olin Dunford
 Chris Aline
 Antonyo Douglas
 Tamara Washington
 Libbie Dellinger
 Caty Carpenter



Prof. Leslie Johnson chatting with student Chris Aline.



Katy Carpenter talks with Mary Kathryn Lierly while the drums play in the back



Prof. Leslie Johnson and Jay Gillie get in on the action!



Jay Gillie makes his mark on the Thousand Tongues and Groove Banner



Mary Kathryn Lends a hand



Andrew Weigratz caught redhanded painting the Tongues and Grooves banner

I like the student-teacher ratio. Its more intimate.

- David Rhoney

19-21 These people got together and asked him to make a public presentation over at the Areopagus (Mars Hill), where things were a little quieter. They said, "This is a new one on us. We've never heard anything quite like it. Where did you come up with this anyway? Explain it so we can understand."



22-23 So Paul took his stand in the open space at the Areopagus (Mars Hill) and laid it out for them. "It is plain to see that you Athenians take your religion seriously. When I arrived here the other day, I was fascinated with all the shrines I came across. And then I found one inscribed, to the god nobody knows. I'm here to introduce you to this God so you can worship intelligently, know who you're dealing with."



"The God who made the world and everything in it, this Master of sky and land, doesn't live in custom-made shrines or need the human race to run errands for him, as if he couldn't take care of himself. He makes the creatures; the creatures don't make him. Starting from scratch, he made the entire human race and made the earth hospitable, with plenty of time and space for living so we could seek after God, and not just grope around in the dark but actually find him. He doesn't play hide-and-seek with us. He's not remote; he's near. We live and move in him, can't get away from him! One of your poets said it well: 'We're the God-created.' Well, if we are the God-created, it doesn't make a lot of sense to think we could hire a sculptor to chisel a god out of stone for us, does it?"

**Where
Did
Mars
Hill
Get its
Name?**



30-31 "God overlooks it as long as you don't know any better—but that time past. The unknown is now known, and he's calling for a radical life-change. He has set a day when the entire human race will be judged and everything set right. And he has already appointed the judge, confirming him before everyone by raising him from the dead."

32-34 At the phrase "raising him from the dead," the listeners split. Some laughed at him and walked making jokes; others said, "Let's hear this again. We want to hear more."

But that was it for the day, and Paul left. There were still others, it turned out, who were convinced then and there, and stood with Paul—among them Dionysius the Areopagite and a woman named Damaris.

17:19-34

Athletic Highlights



I like the Refuge because at home I was involved with a youth group, and while Refuge hasn't replaced that, it has become a comfortable place to be and to meet friends and grow in fellowship.

- Richard Clarke

Athletic Training



Ever wonder what happens when a football player hurts his knee during the big game or who takes care of the softball pitcher when she pulls a muscle? That's where the Athletic Trainers come in- the silent heroes of the sports world. The Athletic Trainers here at Mars Hill College, are a dedicated and promising group of students who continuously strive to provide the best possible care for students both on and off of the field. They are there at every single game, just waiting to be able to help injured players and get them the attention they need.



Keep 'em Healthy!



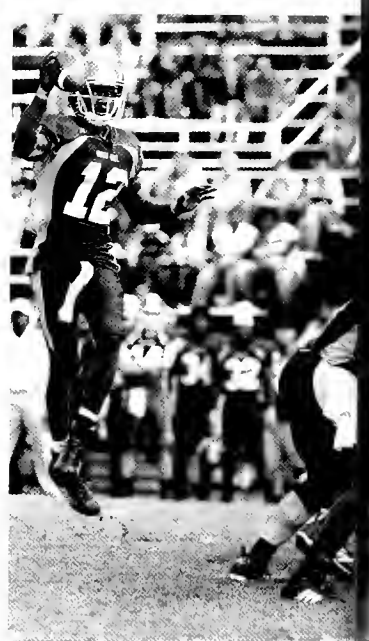


Taking it to the Field

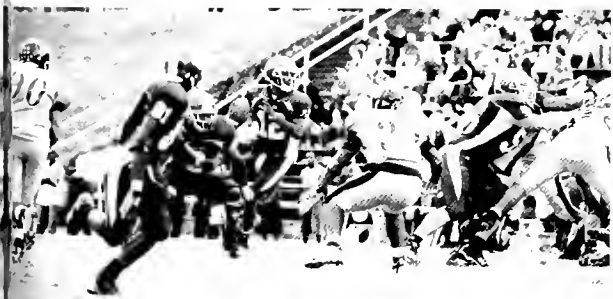


This year, Mars Hill's men's football team continued to make an outstanding showing for yet another season. The team showed great work ethic and teamwork like none other as they finished their season with a 4 to 7 record.

Player, Kenyari Addison said of the overall season and of being a Mountain Lion, "The greatest part about being a Lion is that you have the assurance that your coaches are going to have you prepared to play and leave the chip on your shoulder of just doing it. Our coaches put tremendous preparation into the games and prepare us like no other, that is what gives us the chance and opportunity to win."



Football



The small classes make it easier to get to know the professors and for them to get to know you better, which is important.

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- Tristan Walker

Cheerleading



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First of all, I like Mars Hill College, because of wonderful personnel. People that work there are always friendly, helpful and very, very nice. My second reason is mountains. I love mountains, but sometimes I'm tired of Stroup hill. :)

- Yulia Boyko



Two,
four, six, eight- who
do we appreciate? Cheerlead-
ers- that's who! The cheerlead-
ing squad of Mars Hill College consists of a
fantastic group of students who put their
whole heart and souls into inspiring Mars Hill's
ampus. They are lead by Cheerleading Director,
Robin Cole and participate in various aspects of
ampus, from games to the Lions Growl. Their art
is perfected with practices nearly everyday of the
week and is topped with good, old-fashioned
determination. They are there at every
game with smiles on their faces and a
cheer in their voice. So, come out
to a game and cheer on the
cheerleaders!



The teaching staff is amazing! They are always willing to work
with you when you have a problem inside and outside of class.

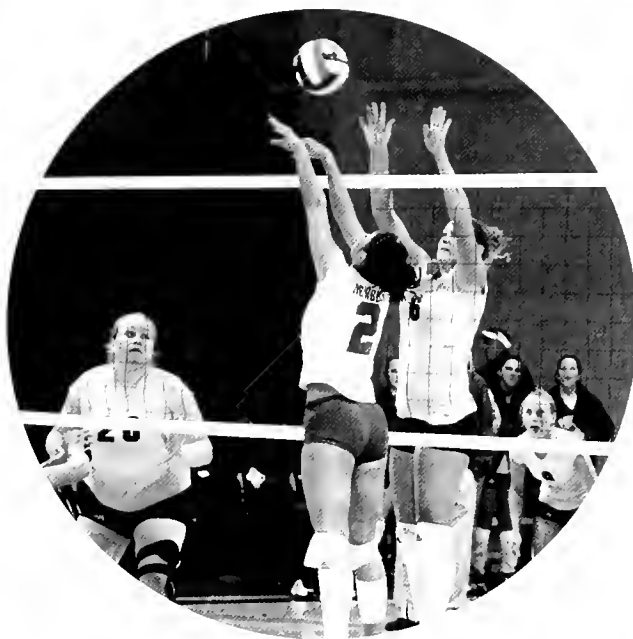
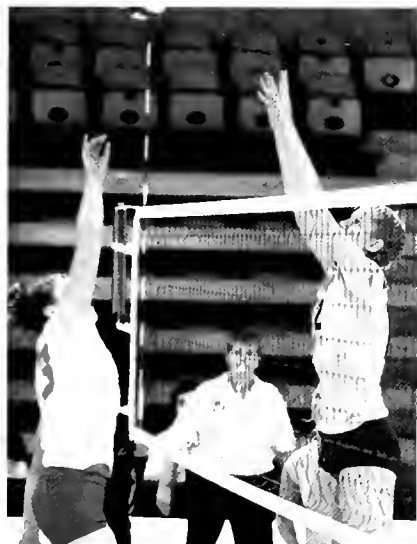
- Kristine Pugh

Ladies Volleyball



Bump! Set! Spike! This year, the Lady Lions continued their quest to greatness, pouring everything they had into the game that they all love so much. Lead by coach Tony Fontanelle, the women's volleyball team had a fantastic 12 to 21 season this year. From games to practices, on and off the court, these ladies showed the epitome of sportsmanship and dedication as they worked together as a team.





I like the fitness center.

- Billeto McGee



MHC Wins the Meet at McAlpine in Charlotte, NC
(Dave Jaegar, Elliott Austin, Lee Swanson, Jon Stoehr, Will Mikolacz, Ben Crenshaw, Tyler Wilkinson, Adrian, John Halter)



Will, Elliot, and Dave racing for Conference Championships in Black Mountain



Cross Country
Seniors:
Lee Swans
Jon Stoehr
Elliot Aust
and
Tyler Wilkin

C Men's Cross Country has been running strong for decades now under Coach of the Year, Mike Owens and assistant coach, Stacy Mark. The team plays rare dedication, talent, and strength. The team won conference, region- and went on to compete in Nationals in Florida. Sophomore Dave Jaeger was awarded Region First Team having placed in the top ten spots at Wingate. Having finished in the top twenty places at Regional Championships, Tyler Wilkin- son, Will Mikolajczak, and Elliot Austin were awarded Second Team Regionals.



MHC XC Men win Conference



Team runs with Coaching Assistant Daniel Amick



Tyler, Dave, Will push through the pack



Halter entertains at Regionals Banquet



I like the food. It is awesome.

- Bob Merriweather



Gabriel's Creek



Fitness Trail



The Wall



Mailboxes

Women's Cross Country



Women's Cross Country is miles ahead of the rest on the course and in the classrooms! These strong ladies run an average 40 miles per week, conquering the hilly miles around the campus. The team won Conference Championships and went on to place third at the Regional Championships at Wingate University, missing Nationals by only 9 points. At Regionals, Senior Kate Prichard and Junior Keely Hollahan won First Team and All-Region Team, placing within the top ten in the race. But the team isn't the only place these girls blaze through with style, the Women's CC Team for the 11th straight year was named the Academic All-American Team, having the 2nd highest GPA in the Nation! Kate Prichard was named the SAC Scholar Athlete of 2002 as well as Academic All-American along with Elizabeth Head, Keely Hollahan, and Captain Ashley McCauley. Congratulations on a successful season, keep honoring us ladies, you inspire us!



Ashley McCauley



Erin McKee



Elizabeth Head



Kate Prichard



Tobacco Hill



Chin Scraper



Women's Loop



Golf Course Hill



MHC Wins Conference Championships in Black Mountain

Erin McKee, Ali Petit, Sarah Manthei, Liz Head, Keely Hollahan, Kate Prichard, Miley White, Ashley McCauley



Huddled together at AP State on a Chilly race day



MHC at NCAA Regional Championship Banquet



Traditional Ice Cream stop during Training Camp

It's a small campus so you can get real personal with teachers.

- Anrae Fevrier

Alan Broadnax



Men's Track and Field have been running strong for years now under the award winning coaching of Mike Owen and Stacy Mark. These athletes train for indoor races in the winter months and outdoor races during the Spring. The team consists of distance runners, sprinters, shot put, discus, and javelin throwers, hurdlers, and jumpers. The team practices rain or shine, snow or sleet and their hard work is expecting to bring home a winning season.



Dave Jaeger leaves the competition behind!



Winston Curry, Mile Race



Richard Clarke prepares for shotput

Will Mikolajewicz





Richard Clarke throws shotput at USC



Joe Lewis throws shotput at USC



Sprinters: Chimaine, Dwight, and Chris



Brad looking intimidating before the race



Elliot Austin runs the 3000mat USC



It's where God wants me to be, even when I want to be somewhere else. MHC is a place where God is challengeequipping me to be a passionate follower of His word and heart..

Women's Track & Field

Women's Track and Field has really taken off! These ladies had meets at UNC, USC, and AP Sta for indoor. In the women's 300 meter dash freshman Ashley McCarthy set a new MHC record with a time of 47.10 seconds! Graduating this year is Kate Prichard who holds records in mar events, including a 5:24 in the mile. Track season runs right through the winter, including snow 6:00am practices to hot 4:00pm speed workouts in the spring. These athletes are always ready a challenge and will only continue to amaze us for the next 150 years!



Senior Elizabeth Head runs the mile at U

Kate
gettin
pumped
for her
race!



Mrs. Head, one
of our hard
core fans & CO.



...our sport is your punishment.



Kate Prichard, 1 mile



Tandra Landers, 55m dash



Alicia Briggs, 1000m



Nadine, 55m hurdles



Kate hands off to Keely Hollahan



Keely hands off to Liz Head



Below: Jaime Kuehl, 3000m



Erin Stone
throws
shotput at
USC



Miley White
runs the
3000m at
USC



The people here are nice and polite.

- Dmitri Semenyakin

Men's Soccer

Team Prayer before the game



MHC's Men's Soccer team had a 5-9 season with 2 draws including. These men could be seen practicing multiple times per day, rain or shine. It is easy to see why their strongest aspects have been said to be unity, work ethic, and passion. Led by Team Captain Dan Waymont, these athletes brought excitement and pride to our stands at MHC. Although Coach Tre Morrison decided to resign, the team has continued to condition themselves and prepare for whatever lies ahead. Everyone here at the Hill knows that the future only holds more wins and great seasons from these dedicated athletes and fine students. Play Men's Soccer, we're proud of you!



Matt Humphrey



David Fiest



Rondon Bacchus goes Matrix after the ball!



Senior David Oesch goes for the Ball



Teamwork, Dedication, Passion



Teamwork in action



Below: Senior Will Dolbier pushes the ball down field

2006 Lead Scorers:

Dan Waymont	9 goals, 5 assists
Chad Quinn	8 goals, 4 assists
David Fiest	4 goals, 3 assists
JC Adams	4 goals, 2 assists



JC Adams



Joshua Arpin

Captain Dan Waymont takes the ball!



I like the buffalo chicken wraps a lot. A lot, a lot! and the banana pudding.

- Kasey Boston

Women's Soccer

The MHC Women's Soccer team was 12-8-1 overall this past season, 4-3 in conference play, making them tied for 3rd place. That is the highest the team has finished in the last 7 years. They were ranked in the top 10 of the southeast region for most of the season (about 9 weeks). This was the 2nd year in a row that the team finished the season with 12 wins overall. The players have established themselves as one of the better teams in the region.



Freshman, Kasey Boston



Junior, Tara Carver

"The players on the team come from 10 different states with a wide range of experience. All of the players are very excited about the future and what it has in store for them. We feel really good about what we can accomplish next fall. The players work very hard to be successful on the soccer field and in the classroom. We have had the Freshman of The Year for the South Atlantic Conference come from our team the last two seasons. We have 4 players make the all conference team the last two seasons and the team maintains a team GPA of 3.2. This is a very good time to be part of the women's soccer program."

--Women's Soccer Coach, Scott Ginn

"I just feel so blessed to be a part of the team. I couldn't ask for a better group of girls to be on a team with. We are really all like family. We love each other and look out for each other. I know that there are going to be some great things in the future for Mars Hill Women's Soccer!"

--Austen Ward



Austen Ward, Freshman

Jasmine Riley, Sophomore



Claudia Cala, Junior

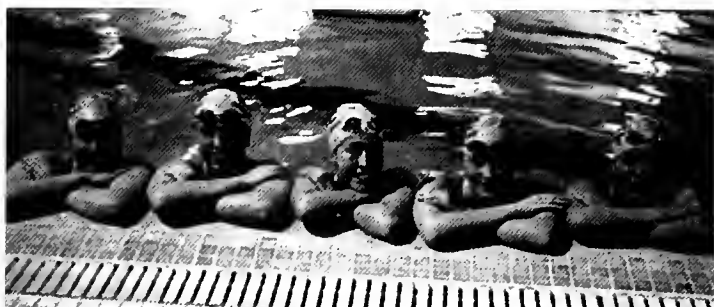


Chelsea Daugherty, Austen Ward, Lucy Adkins, Amber Rasasack, Riley Dorsey, Tabatha Woodson, Courtney King, Alicia Blaha, Tara Carver, Lesli Frazier, Garrett Patton, Lindsey Collins, Stefanie Hampton

I am really glad I'm apart of the soccer team because it made the transition into college really easy and they are a great support system to have around campus.

- Kasey Boston

MHC Swimmin' Women



The Mars Hill "Swimmin' Women" were very successful this season, with a record so far of 8-1. Katie Brasche and Krissy Jordan, did an amazing job of leading the team as captains. What is amazing is that this is only the second year for the MHC swim team and already they are taking the competition by tidal wave! Everyone on the team has different strengths and at swim meets they are able to work together and do well. "I believe that we are beat some teams that are twice our size because we really have a love for swimming and we are always encouraging each other," says swimmer Sarah Anderson.



Swimmers with Coach Teddy Guyer who hopes to add men's team next year



Krissy Jordan, Katie Brasche, and Lara Brockwell



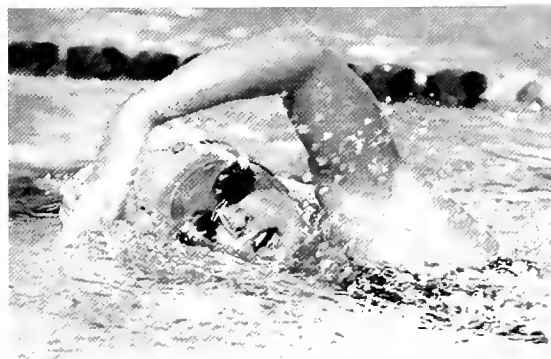


"Each person brings something new and different to the team making it unique and more diverse than any other swim team I've ever be apart of."

- Mary Brasche



The Team talks with Coach about the practice



I enjoy being on the swim team because it gives me the chance to excell outside of the classroom. I have always enjoyed swimming competetively and at Mars Hill I am able to do so with a fun, family-like team supporting me.

- Sarah Anderson

LACROSSE



Entering the season with a new head coach, Sean Woods, as well as a new assistant coach, Andrew Baxter (both appointed in August 2006), the men's Lacrosse team is proving that they have what it takes to win. Although the official season doesn't begin till the spring semester, the men were already proving themselves back in the fall. The team works well together on and off of the field as they have participated in many service opportunities. Players will tell you that it is a great way to build team unity and help someone as well!



Vincent Giganti
looks for the
pass





Goalie defending like a pro!



Colbe Klein passing



Play on MHC
Lacrosse, We're
proud of you!

Men's Golf

Last year Men's Golf had a mediocre season with a few good finishes as a team but they hope to improve a lot this spring. Their championship season consists of 7 events at some really challenging courses. The guys seem to be coming together as a group and we are excited to see how they will perform. The team have a new coach this year, Brian Lautenslager, who has been a great inspiration to the players. He has done so much for the team in very little amount of time to try and prepare them for success. Everyone is on board with his style of play and I know he's eager to get into action. The team opened the season at Presbyterian's tournament in Clinton, SC.



Roster:

Grant Byerly Junior Asheville, NC/
Lenoir-Rhyne
Daniel Hensley Sophomore State
Road, NC/Elkin HS
Brandon Johnson Freshman
Lenoir, NC/Hibriton HS
Nate Lockey Sophomore Brant-
ford, Ontario/North Park HS
Aaron Pressley Freshman Sky-
land, NC/Christ School
Chad Skinner Freshman Ottawa,
Ontario
Josh Sparks Junior Henderson-
ville, NC/Blue Ridge C.C.
Nathaniel Wicken Junior George-
town, Ontario



Left: Nate Lockey



Right: Nathaniel Wicken



Women's Golf

The Women's Golf Team drove home a great season! Under new coach, Gwen

Watson, The team played in three tournaments this year. All the ladies have worked very hard to improve and strengthen their game and it has paid off on the green! The ladies love their new coach who is there for them on and off the course and say that the best part about the team are the great personalities and how unified the teammates are. Congratulations Women's Golf; we wish you the best in getting the gold on the green!



Danielle Gardner



Jeanette Behrens using her forces of intimidation on the competition!





Carrie Huskins

Samantha Delgado and
Jeanette Behrens with
their awards



Just like Family!



Ryanne Spears lines
up a shot

Fore!



It's alot different from Miami. I feel more at home here. I like my
Athletic Training major also.

- Brian Reyes

Men's Basketball



Andy Miller takin it to the hoop!



Jamison McIverson evades the defense

Mars Hill Mens' Basketball is looking good this season and continues to bring the crowd to its' feet during games! Under the experienced coaching of Terry Rogers and Stanley Wheless, the team has been working long and hard to make Mars Hill shine! Team captain this year was Senior Jamison McIverson. The team is talented at working together on and off the court and enjoy joking around with each other. Good job guys, we're proud of you, keep up the good work!



All eyes are on the game as the men cheer on their teammates



Jump Ball!



Moses Thomas



Walford takes the lane



Stoney politely weaves through the defense



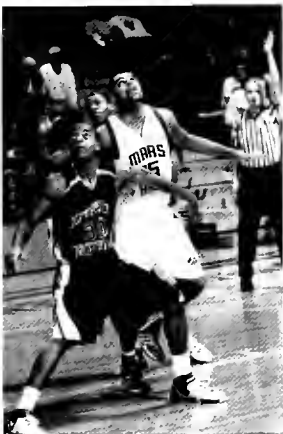
Team Huddle!



Tom Anmar looks for the pass



PJ Gore pushes to the basket



I go here because of Lauren Ann Finley.

- Mike Heath

Nothing But Net



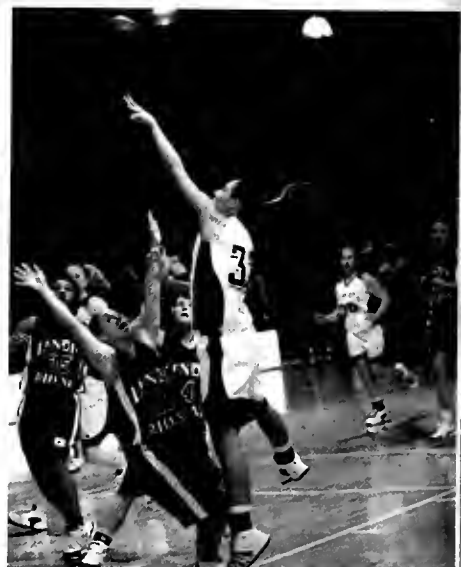
The Mars Hill women's basketball is more than a mere team- they are a family, "My favorite aspect of the Mars Hill basketball team is by far the girls on the team and the coaches. We're all so close and go through a lot with practices. They're like second family because we're together so much!", says Jennifer Mastin. Despite being a young team with new coaches (Head Coach Jennifer Nance), the women have risen to the occasion. Freshman Heather Hahn says of starting out in her first season, "I feel our season started off very well and will only continue to get better as we improve throughout the season. Coming in as freshmen, I really had no idea what to expect... it has been great so far".



#23 Guard Ariel Okunowo



#20 Forward Christa Fullwood



#32 Forward Jessica Blanford

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My favorite aspect about Mars Hill basketball is that this team is my family. These girls are like sisters to me and we all are so close.

- Jessica Blanford

Women's Basketball



... within ourselves we have high expectations and we plan to meet those expectations and hopefully exceed them."

-Abby DeBusk



#42 Center Lindsay Roberts



#34 Forward Danielle Francis



#44 Center Shannon Lee



Coach Jennifer Nance

We can always count on each other and would help each other with anything, anytime. It's a great feeling to know they're always there for you, no matter what.

Men's Baseball

Being a part of the Mars Hill Baseball team takes hard work and dedication. It is a great honor to wear the MHC. Every player knows all the blood, sweat and tears they have shed and all the pain they have endured through the Fall of conditioning and the Spring, through the rough cold days of practice, are all well worth it when they wear that uniform. The team put in a tremendous amount of time and effort into the program to make it a successful one. Last year the men were led by a great group of seniors who took the team to its first conference championship game. The men have a great group of new comers who look to be great assests to this program.



Matt Carter



Pitcher Nick Tracy





Dustin Kerley



David DeSilva



Andy Tillman



Jason Yelton



Lee Blalock



Pick-Off

It's a small school and so its easier to get to classes. Also, it's pretty diverse.

- Jamal Green

Softball



"I am very excited about this season and how far we get in our conference."

~Ashley Harber



From striking out their opponents or sliding into home plate, the Mars Hill Women's Softball team have shown that they have a love for the for the game. Lead by head coach David Williams, the Lady Lions



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My Favorite part about the hill is meeting new people to ask questions to, and my roommate giving me Southern speaking lessons at night.

- Anna James



"We are like
angels with just
one wing.
We can only fly
by embracing
each other."

-anonymous



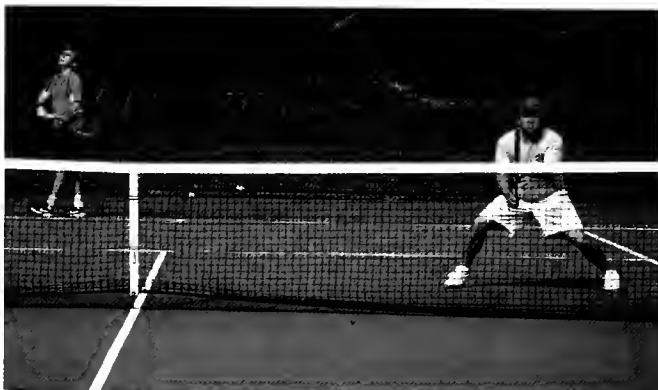
My parents live two miles away and I live on campus. Tell you anything about the school?

- Rebekah Huff

"Mars Hill tennis has been a gradual work in progress."

Men's Tennis

From backhands to forehands, the Mars Hill Men's Tennis team has been preparing all year for their coming season. The team is lead by seniors Oscar Gomez and Robert Roddy and with Tom Schrecengost serving as the head coach, the team has more than enough motivation and skill to make their mark this season.



Oscar Gomez and Bobby Roddy playing doubles



John Allen encourages teammate Koeche Smith



Koeche and his killer swing!



Game against North Georgia



The Team takes a break between matches



Ron Teague readys for the hit

Significant strides have been made for both the men's and women's programs the past 3 years in particular...



Andrew Waldrop backhand swings

It's so small and everybody is really nice and that helped me a lot.

- Koeche Smith

...The progress has been noticeable in the quality of student athletes that have been

Women's Tennis



As they serve their way into the new season, lead by head coach Tom Schrecengost, the Mars Hill Women's Tennis Team is off to a promising start. With seniors Maranda Dellinger, Nancie Gruber, and Whitney Stroud at the front of the team, the Lady Lions are seeking to prove themselves the best for yet another season.

attracted to the program and the subsequent success in both on court results and in the classroom."

--Coach Schreengost



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I love Mars Hill because it lays in a beautiful environment and the faculty and staff really cares about you. They help you out in any way they can in order to see you succeed.

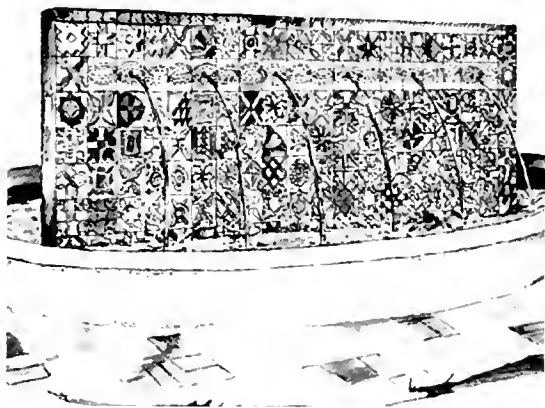
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- Nancie Gruber

Celebrating 150 Years



Douglas Ferguson creating the 8 foot double-faced wall of 280 tiles that would stand in Founder's Fountain. The wall was relocated on the first floor of Blackwell when weather conditions threatened to harm it. The tiles consist of 75 different designs of Appalachian quilt patterns.



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The campus is not made up of buildings. It's made up of people, and basically I think people are the same.

- Miss Virginia Hart

This year, Mars Hill College marked it's 150th anniversary and started it's Sesquicentennial celebration. Events have been going on throughout the school year celebrating Mars Hill and it's history and accomplishments.

The fall musical "Treasures" was written by Robert Jones- a former Theatre Arts professor here at Mars Hill. The play, which premiered on Saturday, October 7, is set in a 1890 Mars Hill campus when the school was in grave danger of being closed. "Treasures" tells the story of Helen McMaster and John E. White who help to hold the school together. The story was taken from a book written by John Angus McLeod, "From These Stones", which chronicals the school's history from 1856 to 1967.

In honor of Mars Hill's Sesquicentennial event, renound author and speaker , Dr. Maya Angelou, came to speak to the college and local community. Angelous was met with a packed audience as she advised everyone to, "Let your light shine".

Former Mars Hill graduate, Douglas Ferguson's tile work (which now hangs both inside and outside of Blackwell Hall) was dedicated. Ferguson's work commemerates Mars Hill's rich and viberant history- perfect for the momentous year. Also, a historical work on Mars Hill came out called, "Through the Long Years", which a great guide to Mars Hill's roots.

So here is to 150 wonderful years and to 150 more!



Sesquicentennial Events

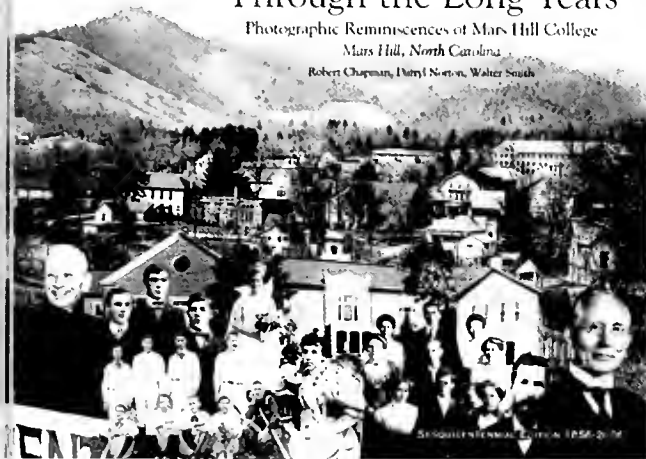
"Through the Long Years" follows the history of Mars Hill College from 1856 to the 2006. Written by Robert Chapman, Darryl Norton, and Walter Smith, it chronicles the events and unique people that have made our school what it is today.

Through the Long Years

Photographic Reminiscences of Mars Hill College

Mars Hill, North Carolina

Robert Chapman, Darryl Norton, Walter Smith



"I have to tell you what I know, and I intend to stay here until I'm finished..." -Maya Angelou speaks to MHC

"This little light of mine, I'm goin' let it shine..."



Over 109 years ago, on Saturday, June 11, 1897, Robert L. Moore arrived in the Marshall train station and rented a horse for the 6 hour ride to the remote campus of Mars Hill College, where he would consider becoming president.

Dan and Beverly Lunsford Reenact the arrival of Pres. Moore on Horseback at Lion's Growl.



The Cast and a Scene from Treasures



It's a small community and everybody can get to know everybody.

- Brandon Connor

This year on Campus...

What went on this semester at the Hill?

The 150th was one to remember!

SLAM

Student
Liberal
Arts
Mosaic



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Green
Students
United
Started
on
Campus
to further
Conservation



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BMC wins 13th
National
Championship
in Maggie Valley



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Construction on Math &
Science Building
Begins



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Professor
George Peery
Resigns after
38 years.



Challengers
Program is a Big
Hit



Black Student Association
Begins and Thrives

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Construction on Meares
Stadium Begins



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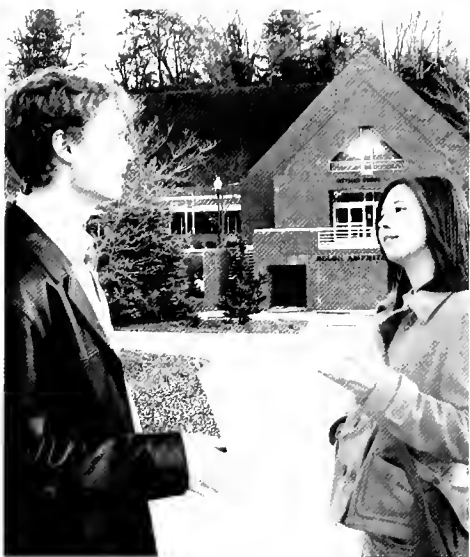
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I like Mars Hill because of the candy in the Soda Shop.

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- Randy Beaman

Our Campus



Set in the middle of the picturesque Blue Ridge Mountains, Mars Hill College campus is filled with the same diversity and unique aspects as the mountains that serve at its backdrop. Whether you're walking across the quad or sitting down for a bite in the cafeteria, you can be sure that you'll run into someone you know or see a friendly face. That's what makes Mars Hill what it is. There is always something different to discover.





I really like the sunken gardens because you can read there. It's really quiet and pretty.

- Cassie Martin

COSMO The Lion

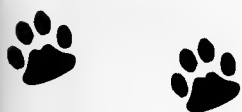
Some NC natives debate over whether there are mountain lions living in the hills of this wooded state while some say that the wild cat's existence in these woods is only stuff of legends. Obviously, none of them have ever been to a MHC Football game. Cosmo the Mountain Lion has been cheering on our players and inspiring school spirit on our campus for many years now and is expected to live on as long as there are students to pose for pictures with, children to wave at, and alumni to reminisce with. As the college has grown and changed, so has our mascot. Few of us remember Cosmo when he was just a cub, so here's some we pulled from the scrapbook. Thanks Cosmo, we love you!



Cosmo in 1988



**Cosmo
with a
more life-
like look
in 1997**



His Life at MHC



A wooden wall hanging of our mascot ready to play a game of basketball in Chambers Gym in 1977.



It's 2008, Cosmo's lookin' better than ever in a full body suit with life like mountain lion head!

Cosmo in the 70's sporting a Paper Mache head!



Cosmo exchanges the paper mache for a hooded head and mane in 1980, worn by MHC student.

It doesn't cost me anything.

- Jason DeVries



Laurel Staff

The Laurel Yearbook was a great experience this year. There was a staff of five skilled students, a co-editor: Carlee Macon, and the editor-in-chief, Miley White. These seven individuals, under the support of Mr. Sam and Mrs. Janet Bingham worked their heads off to make this yearbook one to remember. Through long nights and four heavy deadlines this team worked on getting photos, organizing picture days, creating page layouts, assigning tasks, mailing off packages, and doing pizza runs to get the job done. This page is dedicated to everyone who helped with putting this yearbook together by donating photos, information, and providing moral support and prayers. Thank you! The Yearbook program provides students with class credit and great experience in reporting, photography, editing, management, deadline accomplishment and many other skills that are useful towards any major. The Laurel program is expected to plant roots and grow stronger for as long as there is a college to honor!



Ben Wilson



Megan Moran



Carlee Macon



The editors' position was a little draining.



Co-Editor Carlee Macon helps Brittney design a page layout.



Heather Wright



Lindsey Ward



Brittney DeLozier



End of Deadline 01 party at Halloween!



"What do you mean your page isn't finished!"



Yearbook Tip #1: Laughs are essential!



Carlee: I got some great prizes. Miley: oh, good! Portable toilet paper.



Ben Wilson designing the Homecoming pages



Thank you Mars Hill for all you've meant to us. Here's to 150 more.

Answers to Page 78: A. Barbara Hassen, B Allen Shelley, C. Bev Robertson, D. Debra Huff, E. Fifi DeGroot, F Darryl Norton, G. Dan Lunsford, H. Marc Mullinax, I. George Peery, J. Sarah Butrum, K. Bill Hamilton, L. Lura Edsall, M. Peggy Fender, N. Ruby Stanton, O. Wylma Jean Norton, P. Scott Pearson, Q. Rick Cary, R. Carol Boggess, S. Mike Thornhill, T. Jim Utterback

The steep hills teach you how to persevere and make you stronger.
The beautiful view at the top reminds you of Who took care of you along the way.

- Miley White



Hundreds of Mars Hill alumni attest to the fact that the years spent with friends in the challenging and nurturing atmosphere of this college were the most critically important years of their lives.

- Dr. Robert Melvin, MHC Professor 1958-1977



